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Introduction

Several events led to a tremendous increase in coin collecting during and following the Second World War. Experts agree the popularity of the penny boards caused many people to search through their pocket change and to exchange rolls of one-cent coins at the bank in order to search for Lincoln cents to fill the holes in their boards. In addition, many young men and women who served overseas during the war discovered much of the world's coinage systems. The coins were different, the designs were different, the denominations were different, and sometimes the alloys and shapes were different. The veterans came home with a curiosity about coins and currency leading to the study of these items we call numismatics. Many books were published about these coins. The results were enormous.

Accompanied by the popularity of the *Guide Book of United States Coins*, commonly called the "Redbook," and the publication of coin-collecting newspapers and magazines on every aspect of the hobby, new collectors joined coin clubs that sprang up all over the country.

The dramatic growth of coin clubs

was on all levels. The American Numismatic Association had been operating from its members' homes. Its library was housed in Omaha, Nebraska. The national coin association was taking steps to establish a permanent home for its headquarters, its library and its museum. State and regional organizations had sprung up throughout the country. The California State Numismatic Association had been founded in Santa Barbara in 1947 and several local coin clubs, such as the San Bernardino County Coin Club, the Orange County Coin Club, the Los Angeles Coin Club and the San Diego Numismatic Society, were welcoming large and enthusiastic crowds to their meetings.

In 1954, a small number of interested collectors and dealers in the Los Angeles area, under the leadership of Karl M. Brainard, met (probably at his home) to discuss the need for a regional organization in southern California to coordinate and promote the local clubs. A few of these folks got together during the ANA Convention at the Fontinelle Hotel in Omaha, Nebraska in 1955. They decided to pursue their vision and upon returning home had a meeting at

Clifton's Cafeteria in Los Angeles. They agreed to invest \$25 to \$50 each to fund the first convention.

This organization was to be unique. Most clubs are governed by elected officers. This club, called the Numismatic Association of Southern California, was to be governed by representatives from each of its member clubs. This was truly an *association* of southern California coin clubs.

The first convention, held in 1956 at the New Clark Hotel in Los Angeles, was a success. Having made a little money at the first convention, the leaders decided to purchase 250 1956 proof sets to be used as a promotional scheme at the next convention in 1957. The proof sets would be sold at 15 cents over their cost to people attending the show. In order to do this, the officers had to lend the NASC the money to buy the proof sets. In fact, at times the finances were so low the treasurer, Benjamin Williams, had to rush deposits to the bank in order to pay the bills.

Everything was growing. From the original seven clubs, eventually there would be about 100 member clubs. The conventions were moved to a larger hotel in downtown Los Angeles and became the largest regional meetings in the United States.

The fifty years were exciting times in the numismatic hobby. The years 1954-2004 saw major changes, some of which were welcomed and others of which have been blamed for the eventual drop in membership and convention activities throughout the nation. These times included the Hunt Brothers silver and gold scheme, the slabbing of coins, the electronic age of selling and buying coins and much more. If there were several words to describe the changes, the words must include huge conventions; large amounts of money

invested in coins; electronic sales; giant corporations becoming involved in the hobby (such as General Mills; who at one time owned Bowers and Ruddy Galleries); mega-sized holding companies with their huge investments; the MS grading system; and the international sales of numismatics.

In 1959, the NASC introduced its publication, *The NASC Quarterly*, which has been published four issues each year until the 1990s. The association presented many workshops, including 11 coin club workshops, designed to help collectors and member clubs become more effective. There were coin grading and authentication workshops at Cal Poly Pomona and later throughout the Los Angeles area.

In 1964, a number of ANA officials including Herb Bergen, Matt H. Rothert, Richard Yeoman and Charles Johnson, headed to Los Angeles after attending the ANA board of governors meeting in Phoenix, Arizona. By 1965, the American Numismatic Association chose the NASC convention as the place to hold their winter meetings. Southern California in February was very inviting when compared to Colorado Springs.

There has always been a close relationship between the ANA and the NASC. The leadership of the national organization has served as master of ceremonies at the NASC banquets, as installation officers, speakers at the educational forums, and were recipients of numerous NASC awards. In fact, in 1968, ANA Governor Charles M. Johnson was the first recipient of the Richard P. Goodson Memorial Award, the highest honor the NASC can bestow on an individual. Virginia Culver, the first woman president of the ANA, was very active in the NASC and in 1975 the NASC hosted the 84th Anniversary

Convention of the ANA at the Airport Marriott Hotel in Los Angeles.

The NASC established and maintained an outstanding money museum that was displayed for many years at several Los Angeles banks until security costs made it impossible to continue. Under the leadership of Maurice M. Gould and his successors, the NASC hosted superb educational forums at their conventions featuring well-known experts from the United States, Canada, England, Mexico and Israel.

This fifty-year period also encompassed the years of major authentication problems addressed by Virgil Hancock and grading problems addressed by Abe Kosoff. Its auctions included the time of the million dollar coins including the 1804 silver dollars and the 1913 nickels. Coins were salvaged from sea disasters; ancient coin hoards continued to fascinate collectors and summer seminars became an important means of learning about the hobby.

The NASC bourse grew to 100 dealers, and attendance at the annual conventions reached upward towards 6,500. The Long Beach Coin and Stamp Exposition was born and the ANA decided they would produce their own spring event, thus providing their own venue for their meetings.

Recognizing the changing times, the NASC joined three other Southern California organizations, California State Numismatic Association (CSNA), Council of International Numismatists (COIN), and Society for International Numismatics (SIN), to produce a coin show in southern California in 1990. The Golden State Coin Show was the result of the leadership of NASC President G. "Corky" Ayers. He recognized the changing economic and manpower realities of the times. For the first time,

the four organizations joined together instead of competing against each other to produce a southern California coin show. Now the remaining two organizations, NASC and CSNA, are publishing a combined magazine and have worked together on other ventures such as the CSNA Educational Symposium. A review of the membership of the organizations revealed many of the collectors were members and participants in all of the organizations.

Perhaps the greatest legacy of the NASC has been its commitment to serve the southern California coin clubs. To this end, the association has provided financial assistance to the clubs through its Member Club Gold Benefit Drawing. It has a Speakers List; slide programs; numerous workshops; has published an award-winning journal; organized annual coin shows; sponsored and recognized young numismatists' achievements; and promoted the activities of its member clubs.

Founded in 1954, this year marks the Golden Anniversary of the Numismatic Association of Southern California. For the past fifty years, the members and clubs have worked together to make the hobby rewarding, enjoyable and honorable. This is the legacy of the NASC and its story is told on the following pages.

—Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald
June, 2004



Karl M. Brainard, the founding force behind the NASC, proudly displays a specimen of stone money from the island of Yap. Though the NASC Money Museum of which this piece was originally a part is no more, the association continues to own and display this interesting example of primitive numismatics.

Part One—The NASC Timeline

1954—An Idea is Born

In 1954, a small group of numismatists from the Los Angeles area gathered in the den of a mutual collector. The purpose of the meeting was to consider the creation of a regional coin organization. Karl M. Brainard, who is considered the founder of the NASC, had retired from the production of motion pictures in 1944 and began making plastic coin holders as a hobby. This caused him to return to his love of coin collecting, particularly proof coins. In 1959 Karl M. Brainard wrote: "In 1954 I felt that Southern California was being overlooked by the large numismatic organizations...I called a meeting of well-known collectors and dealers, and out of this meeting evolved the Numismatic Association of Southern California."

1955—The First Meetings

Printed in gold letters, the NASC's 1954 Record Book's forward states:

In 1954, Southern California was not only growing in size but the number of dealers and collectors had greatly increased. Local coin clubs were springing up and California had more American Numismatic Association members than any other state. It was felt there was a need for an organization of our own. With this idea in mind, several well-known dealers and collectors were approached on the subject and almost to a man they agreed, stating "the advantages that such an organization could have and offering to help any way they could." All interested parties were contacted and got together

July 31, 1955 at the Hotel Hayward in Los Angeles. The meeting was called by Karl M. Brainard and out of this meeting the Numismatic Association of Southern California was formed.

In July 1955, twenty coin dealers and collectors met at the Hayward Hotel in Los Angeles. The minutes of the first meeting, dated July 31, 1955, put forth the purposes of the new organization, namely, "to further numismatics in southern California and have an annual convention in the Los Angeles area." I. Newton Sanders suggested the name "Numismatic Association of Southern California" which was unanimously adopted. The following officers were elected: President Scott McCormac; Vice-President Lester M. Wollard; Treasurer E.L. Sims; Secretary Harold F. Donald; Governors George Bennett, Karl M. Brainard, Vincent Dieterle, C.A. Dunbar, W.R. Fanning, Oliver S. Garretson, Charles M. Johnson, Charles V. Jones, Sam J. Kabealo, Jack D. Reberry, Abel Sampson, I. Newton Sanders, Russell G. Snyder, William Spence and Paul Weiger. Harold F. Donald, the newly elected secretary, signed the minutes.

The constitution and by-laws for the NASC were written by Karl M. Brainard and are dated November 28, 1955. The objectives of the association, as stated in the constitution, are to "advance the knowledge of numismatics, historically, scientifically, and educationally; for the purpose of bringing together numismatists of southern California."

The by-laws called for the following officers and board to govern the

association. Elected officers were to be a president, first vice-president, second vice-president, secretary, treasurer, six governors and a representative from every NASC member club. The by-laws required a slight change of officers due to the creation of a first and second vice-president in place of a single vice-president. Scott McCormac remained as president while Lester M. Wollard became first vice-president and Earl G. Whitehead was elected second vice-president. All fifteen board members remained in their positions as the governing board.

The membership dues, set at the Board Meeting on November 27, 1955, were \$1.00 per year.

1956—First Annual NASC Convention

The first of what would be thirty-three consecutive NASC conventions, was held February 17-19, 1956, at the New Clark Hotel on South Hill Street in Los Angeles. The by-laws, adopted in November, listed as one of the president's duties to serve as chairman of the convention. In fact, this requirement has never been changed and the NASC president still has this listed as one of their responsibilities.

The bourse chairman for this first convention was Karl M. Brainard, and Sam J. Kabealo from Pasadena conducted the auction. There were 29 dealers in the bourse that paid \$25 each for their tables. Although the leaders agreed to build 100 wooden cases, many of the cases were borrowed. At this time, there were 175 members and 129 of them, along with 100 visitors, registered for the convention.

C. A. "Slim" Dunbar was in charge of the competitive and non-competitive exhibits that were arranged in ten categories, and Charles R. Ruby won the

Best-of-Show award. The first NASC Educational Forum was held on Friday afternoon of the convention. Charles Ruby presented a talk on "U.S. Coins" and Sol Alexander's subject was "Latin American Coins." It was reported that 212 members and guests attended the banquet at a cost of \$3.50 each.

The recently adopted constitution and by-laws mandated the nominations and election of new officers to take place at the business meeting on Saturday morning. This continued until 1985 when the terms of office were extended to two years and the voting was by mail. The newly elected officials who were installed at the banquet were as follows: President Earl Glen Whitehead, First Vice-President W. R. "Bill" Fanning, Second Vice-President Charles L. Ruby, Treasurer Ben F. Williams, and Secretary Harold F. Donald.

At the end of the charter year, there were 144 charter members and seven charter clubs. Charter member number 1 was the founder, Karl M. Brainard. The seven NASC charter clubs were: Bay Cities Coin Club, Douglas Coin Club, Long Beach Coin Club, Los Angeles Coin Club, San Gabriel Valley Coin Club, San Fernando Coin Club and the West Valley Coin Club.

At the board meeting of March 3, 1956, Thelma M. Case was appointed the official historian of the NASC. She was elected to this office in 1961, a position she held until 1976.

Newly elected President Earl Glen Whitehead sent a letter to the membership, dated March 22, 1956, in which he wrote: "It is gratifying to say that the First Annual Convention passed all expectations as to its success."

Karl M. Brainard, along with other NASC members, eventually built 225 coin cases.

1957—Second NASC Annual Convention

The 2nd Annual NASC Convention, with President Earl Glen Whitehead as general chairman, was held at the New Clark Hotel in Los Angeles from February 22-24, 1957. There were 44 dealers in the bourse and 254 members and visitors paid one dollar to register for the show. Sam J. Kabealo conducted the auction for the second consecutive year.

The new organization was short of funds and treasurer Ben W. Williams recalled he had to rush to the bank to make a deposit as funds from bourse tables and dues arrived in order to pay the bills. Banquet tickets cost \$3.75 each, yet the NASC lost \$70 on the dinner. There were 23 competitive and three non-competitive exhibits and Eugene Cooper won the Best-of-Show Exhibit Award for his display of Greek coins. The following officers were installed at the banquet on February 23, 1957: President W. R. "Bill" Fanning, First Vice-President Charles L. Ruby, Second Vice-President C. A. Dunbar, Treasurer Ben W. Williams, and Secretary Ruth Johnson.

1958—Third NASC Annual Convention

In a letter dated January 10, 1958, NASC President W.R. "Bill" Fanning wrote: "Our third annual convention of the Numismatic Association of Southern California will be held on February 28th, March 1st and 2nd at the Hotel Statler in Los Angeles." Mr. Fanning reported the change in hotels gave the convention much more room. (Note – eventually the hotel became the Hilton Hotel where the convention remained for many years.)

There were now 16 member clubs of the NASC and 327 members and

guests registered for the convention. General Chairman Bill Fanning reported there were 54 bourse dealers in attendance and Abner Kreisberg conducted a two-session auction. Exhibit Chairman C.A. Dunbar said there were 33 exhibits, and the Best-of-Show winner was H. H. Clifford for his display of gold coins.

Two hundred sixty-one guests attended the installation banquet on Saturday night, March 1, 1958. The master of ceremonies was Karl M. Brainard, who was surprised by a special award. He was presented with a plaque that read: "To Karl Brainard, Member No. 1; In recognition of his outstanding services to the NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, March 1, 1958."

The association had decided to divide the duties of the secretary to those of a corresponding secretary and a recording secretary. The following officers were installed at the banquet: President Charles L. Ruby, First Vice-President C. A. "Slim" Dunbar, Second Vice-President Ben W. Williams, Treasurer Louis E. Zumwalt, Corresponding Secretary Carolyn Olson, and Recording Secretary Ruth Johnson.

1959—Fourth NASC Annual Convention

The 4th NASC Annual Convention with Charles L. Ruby as general chairman was held at the Statler Hotel on February 13-15, 1959. There were now 26 clubs that were members of the NASC. More than 500 exuberant members and guests registered for the show. William H. Smith of San Francisco conducted the auction, and exhibitor Elliot Markoff won the Best-of-Show Exhibit Award.

The following officers were installed at the banquet on February 14,

1959: President C. A. "Slim" Dunbar, First Vice-President Ben W. Williams, Second Vice-President Richard P. Goodson, Treasurer Louis E. Zumwalt, Corresponding Secretary Carolyn Olson, and Recording Secretary Ruth Johnson.

1959—Issue Number 1 of the NASC Quarterly

The first issue, "Volume 1—Number 1" of the *NASC Quarterly*, is dated July, 1959. President Dunbar, in his first President's Page, wrote: "We now take another step, the publication of our own magazine as an outlet for club news, and as a means for setting forth our plans of future numismatic activities within our own community."

The first *Quarterly* editor, Eric G. Warner, wrote "The Story of the NASC—Chapter 1". NASC founder Karl M. Brainard wrote the first article, "A Few Facts About Gold." The name *Quarterly* was chosen because it was to be published four times per year.

Karl M. Brainard became editor of the *NASC Quarterly* beginning with the October, 1960, issue.

At the American Numismatic Association's Anniversary Convention, held in New Orleans in August, 1972, Edward Rochette presented NASC Editor Peggy E. Borgolte with the ANA's award naming the *NASC Quarterly* as the best regional coin publication for 1972. As a consequence, starting with the first issue of the *NASC Quarterly* for 1973, the front cover carried the logo of this award setting it apart from all other regional publications.

To commemorate the 25th Anniversary of the Numismatic Association of Southern California, Editor J. H. McInnis, Jr., who served both as president and editor in 1979, published the four issues of the *Quarterly* with a sil-

ver cover and a large "25" behind the seal. Below the seal was "SILVER JUBILEE." The fourth, or winter, 1979, issue was devoted to a 25 year history of the NASC written by Past-President James J. Waldorf.

In addition to this commemoration, it was announced that clearance from the post office made it possible to begin to include ads in the publication. These ads began to appear in the fall, 1979, issue.

Editor Dr. Walter Ostromecki, Jr., published a four-part "40th Anniversary History of the NASC" in the 1994 issues to commemorate this historic event.

New *NASC Quarterly* editor, Austin Ryer, Jr., introduced a cartoonist with the spring, 1980, issue. The by-line, "NU-MIS-TAKES" was by WASK. "WASK" turned out to be Frank Wask, an artist and an engineer for Douglas Aircraft, who used to be a coin collector.

As noted above, the first issue of *The Quarterly* was published in July, 1959. In order to publicize the conventions, etc., the first two volumes had only three issues each. Volume one included the July and October, 1959, and January, 1960, issues. Volume two included the April, July, and October, 1960, issues. Volume three begins with the January, 1961, issue and the publication continues with four issues per calendar year.

Instead of "July 1962," the 2nd issue of volume 4 was published as the "spring" issue and henceforth the quarterlies followed the four seasons.

Although there were four issues of the *Quarterly* annually, only three editions were published from 1990 through 1992 as the fall/winter issues were combined. In 1993 there were only two issues: spring/summer and a

fall issue. In 1995 there was no winter issue and in 1996, the number 2 issue was reported to have been lost at or by the postal authorities. (There are several very rare issues of number 2 in existence, including one in this writer's set.) As a result, there was a double issue, 1996/numbers 2 and 3 but no number 4 issue. In 1997 and 1998 there were only three issues, numbers 1, 2 and 3.

In 1986, the American Numismatic Association again named the *NASC Quarterly* as the best regional publication in the United States. The editor was Gary Beedon. In 1989, the *NASC Quarterly*, now edited by Dr. Walter Ostromecki, Jr., was once again awarded the ANA's Best Regional Publication award.

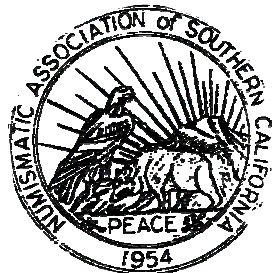
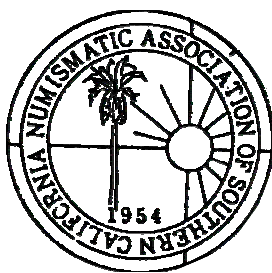
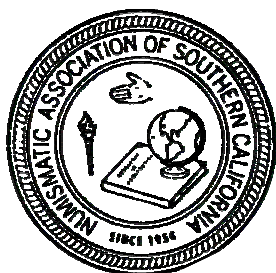
In 2003, the CSNA and the NASC decided to combine their publications thus ending the series of the *NASC Quarterly* and CSNA's *Calcoin News*. The new journal, representing both organizations, was introduced with issue number 1 in the spring of 2004. The editor is Greg Burns and the new publication is called *The California Numismatist*.

NASC Quarterly Editors

1959-61	Eric G. Warner
1961-62	Karl M. Brainard
1962-63	Eric G. Warner
1963-65	Wayne M. Dennis
1966	James L. Betton
1967	Maurice M. Gould
1968-69	William O. Wisslead
1970	Ed McClung
1971-73	Peggy E. Borgolte
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1988-90	Dr. Walter Ostromecki, Jr.
1991-93	Jeff Oxman
1994	Dr. Walter Ostromecki, Jr.
1995-2001 ..	Gary Beedon
2002-03	Greg Burns

1960—Fifth NASC Annual Convention

C. A. "Slim" Dunbar was the general chairman of the 5th NASC Annual Convention held February 19-21, 1960. The Statler Hotel had been acquired by the Hilton Company and was now called the Statler Hilton Hotel. William H. Smith of San Francisco conducted the auction for the 2nd consecutive convention. There were now 25 NASC



Left: NASC Treasurer Louis E. Zumwalt won 1st prize in the NASC seal contest with this design. The book "Knowledge of Numismatics" forms a base for a globe that represents numismatics around the world. The star on the globe (difficult to see) is in the southwestern part of the US (the region served by the NASC and its convention). The torch represents the torch of freedom and peace and the Dexter hand represents friendship and brotherhood to the members of the NASC and numismatists in general. The seal first appeared on the cover of the January, 1961, *Quarterly*.

Middle: Wendall Markham won 2nd prize in the seal contest with this design showing a feather palm.

Right: The 3rd prize winner was another design submitted by Louis Zumwalt.

member clubs. It was reported over 500 members and guests jammed into the bourse area where 73 dealers did a brisk business. Mrs. Pauline Ney won the Best-of-Show award for her five-case exhibit of "so-called dollars."

The following officers were installed at the NASC Awards Banquet on Saturday night, February 20, 1960: President Ben W. Williams, First Vice-President Richard P. Goodson, Second Vice-President George Bennett, Treasurer Louis E. Zumwalt, Corresponding Secretary Carolyn Olson, and Recording Secretary Thomas H. Wood.

1960—The NASC Seal

Beginning with the banquet program for the first annual convention in 1956, and continuing on the cover of the *NASC Quarterly* from 1959 through 1960, the Augustus Humbert 50-dollar gold piece dated 1851 was utilized as a type of logo. Mr. Humbert was a United States assayer in California.

However, at the NASC meeting in Los Angeles on May 3, 1960, President Ben W. Williams spoke of the need for an association seal. Mr. Goodson moved that a contest be conducted to select the new seal. The winning design was to be unveiled at the Saturday banquet during the 1961 annual convention. Twenty-one drawings were submitted and the winning design was by Treasurer Louis E. Zumwalt, who received a \$10 gold coin for his efforts. The adopted design shows a book, *Knowledge in Numismatics* forming a base for a globe that represents numismatics around the world. The star on the globe is in the southwestern part of the United States for the NASC conventions. Unfortunately, the star has disappeared from the seal on most NASC items today. The torch represents the torch of freedom and peace,

and the dexter hand represents friendship and brotherhood to the members of the NASC and numismatists in general.

This seal first appeared on the January, 1961, cover of the *NASC Quarterly* and has remained the identifying logo of the association, appearing on membership cards, convention banquet programs, stationery, *The Quarterly*, NASC medals, ribbons, the official banner, and other items associated with the NASC.

1961—Sixth NASC Annual Convention

This was arguably one of the greatest and best NASC annual conventions in the history of the association. The event took place at the Statler Hilton Hotel, March 3-5, 1961, with President Ben W. Williams serving as general chairman. There were now 477 members and 42 clubs on the roster of the NASC.

Without a doubt the highlight of the convention was the auction conducted by Abe Kosoff. The "King of Coins," the 1804 Idler silver dollar, was on the auction block and sold for \$29,000. Other rarities included the Neil specimen of the 1894-S dime that was hammered down for \$13,500, the Jerome Kern 1876 CC 20-cent piece that sold for \$6,900, and the Hydeman specimen 1913 nickel. Mr. Hydeman took his coin back to Florida as no one topped his reserve of \$50,000.

The bourse was composed of 92 dealers, 1,168 paid registration and the non-paid attendance was estimated at 4,500. Erma Stevens won the Best-of-Show Exhibit Award for her display of Mexican coins. As mentioned before, Louis Zumwalt's prize-winning new NASC seal was introduced at the show.

At a meeting on December 4, 1960, prior to the convention, the by-

laws were changed creating the office of president-elect and eliminating the offices of first vice-president and second vice-president. The following officers were installed at the Saturday banquet in 1961: President Richard P. Goodson, President-Elect George Bennett, Vice-President Thomas H. Wood, Treasurer Louis E. Zumwalt, Corresponding Secretary Carolyn Olson, Recording Secretary Ann M. Hall, and Historian Thelma M. Case (now an elected office).

1961—NASC Medal and Bars

With the introduction of the official NASC seal during the 1961 convention, the organization took steps to strike a medal utilizing the new logo. At the NASC board meeting, October 1, 1961, Peter Payne



Karl Brainard's convention medal showing only the first four bars.

presented a proposal of a medal to be used for those at registration and for the exhibit awards. The display awards would be gold-plated for 1st place, silver for 2nd place and bronze for 3rd place. At the board meeting on January 14, 1962, (just prior to the 1962 convention) it was reported by Peter Payne that the medals were ordered.

The uniface nickel medal bore the NASC seal with the name of the organization around the perimeter. This is similar to the designs utilized on the reverses of the NASC medal series. The medal hung from a nameplate that could be engraved with the owner's name. Attached to the medal, meant to commemorate each year one

attended the convention, was a nickel bar with that year's date. Each year a



The 1961 officials overseeing events at the convention held at the Statler Hilton Hotel.

current bar with the date was sold to those attending the convention. Thus, the chain got longer as each year was added. Of course by 1962, there had already been six conventions, so back-dated bars were sold providing a bar for every convention. Golden-bronze bars were available every tenth year. The program was discontinued after the 2000 convention.

1961—NASC Speakers List

It was announced in the July, 1961, *Quarterly* that a Speakers and Program Bureau was being planned. Charles M. Johnson was chosen as chairman of this bureau. In August, 1961, Mr. Johnson sent a letter to all club secretaries and program chairmen. Included with his letter was a list of the 20 speakers who were willing to present programs at southern California coin clubs along with a list of slide programs that could be obtained from the American Numismatic Association.

The October, 1961, *Quarterly* published this Speakers List. Twenty names appeared on this list including their topics and how to contact them.

A second revised Speakers List was published in the summer, 1962, issue of the *Quarterly*. There were now 30 numismatists listed to present programs at the various NASC clubs.

President Walter T. Snyder, in his first President's Message in 1966, noted one of his goals was to establish an Audio-Visual Program for the use of member clubs in conjunction with the Speakers List. In the third-quarter, 1966, issue of the *Quarterly*, the Visual Education Library was reported. Twenty-nine sets were available covering all aspects of collecting both United States coins and world coins.

The third-quarter, 1969, issue of the *NASC Quarterly* contained the

newly revised Speakers List. By this time, 39 outstanding numismatists were listed who were willing to present programs at club meetings at no cost to the club.

1962—Seventh NASC Annual Convention

President Richard P. Goodson dubbed this the "Lucky Seventh" convention. The convention had expanded to four days: from February 22nd through February 25th, 1962. Peter B. Payne from San Bernardino conducted the auction. The bourse sold out with 95 dealers. The total paid registration was 1,342 and the estimated free registration was between 4,000 to 5,000. Eighty club representatives and guests attended the first Club Representatives Breakfast. There were 59 displays in the exhibit room and William D. Koonce won the Best-of-Show Exhibit Award. Mr. Dick Yeoman, listed on the cover of the *Redbook*, was a special guest at the Club Representatives Breakfast.

The following officers were installed at the NASC banquet on Saturday evening: President George Bennett, President-Elect Thomas H. Wood, Vice-President Karl M. Brainard, Treasurer Walter T. Snyder, Corresponding Secretary Peggy E. Borgolte, Recording Secretary Ann M. Hall, and Historian Thelma M. Case.

1963—Eighth NASC Annual Convention

For the first time in the history of the conventions, the 1963 event, under the direction of President George Bennett, began in January. The dates of the four-day show were from January 30 through February 2, 1963. Unfortunately, it rained through much of the four days of the convention. Approxi-



From left: early NASC luminaries, Murray Singer, Walter Snyder and Tom Woods.

mately 4,300 registered for the show, again held at the Statler Hilton Hotel. There were 46 exhibitors and Ben L. Adams won the Best-of-Show Exhibit Award for his display of "Gold Proof Coins of British India." A special attraction in the display room was Ernie Hood's "Lincoln Memorial," a replica of the famous memorial in Washington DC, made up of rolls of Lincoln cents. Abe Kosoff conducted a three-session auction. Because of new police and fire regulations the bourse was limited to 83 dealers.

The following officers were installed at the banquet on Saturday evening, February 1st: President Thomas H. Wood, President-Elect Karl M. Brainard, Vice-President Murray Singer, Treasurer Walter T. Snyder, Corresponding Secretary Peggy E. Borgolte, Recording Secretary Ann M. Hall, and Historian Thelma M. Case.

1964—Ninth NASC Annual Convention

The 9th NASC Annual Convention, chaired by President Thomas H. Wood, was held at the Statler Hilton Hotel from February 27th through March 1, 1964 (a leap year). Jim "Trends" Kelly from Paramount Coins of Ohio was the auctioneer. It was estimated that 6,125 members and guests registered for the four-day show and the 317 folks who attended the Saturday evening banquet set a new record. Eighty-seven dealers manned the

bourse and Elliott Markoff won the Best-of-Show Exhibit Award for his display entitled "Presidential Series."

The American Numismatic Association held their winter meeting in Phoenix, Arizona, and at the conclusion of their meeting continued on to the NASC convention in sunny Los Angeles. By the next year, the governing board of the ANA began to hold their winter meetings during the NASC convention. Not only did the warm climate and a major coin show attract the ANA, but they became very involved with the events of the conventions, serving as speakers at the various forums, installing officers and acting as the master of ceremonies at the banquet. This was in addition to promoting the ANA that was then in the process of building their headquarters in Colorado Springs. Of course, NASC members, including Herbert Bergen, Virginia Culver and Charles Johnson, assumed the leadership of the national coin organization.

The following officers were installed at the Saturday evening banquet on February 29th: President Karl M. Brainard, President-Elect Murray Singer, Vice-President Walter T. Snyder, Treasurer Edwin C. Borgolte, Corresponding Secretary Peggy E. Borgolte, Recording Secretary Ann M. Hall, and Historian Thelma M. Case.

1964—NASC Money Museum

Brainard's President's Message in the June, 1964, *NASC Quarterly*, announced the formation of a committee composed of George Bennett, Murray Singer and Harold Donald "to accept, trade or, when funds are available to them, purchase numismatic items" to form an "NASC Coin Collection."

While visiting in New York, Oscar G. Schilke presented President Karl Brainard a rare one Kwan note of the Ming Dynasty as one of the first pieces donated to the NASC coin collection.

Karl M. Brainard envisioned this project to be a museum of money housed in a special location with a curator and ever-changing exhibits. Such displays might be based upon themes such as primitive money, commemorative coins, world coins, etc.

Soon the name emerged as the "NASC Money Museum." By 1965, Karl M. Brainard had been named curator and Thelma M. Case, assistant curator of the Money Museum. Every issue of the *Quarterly* for 1965 listed new donations and purchases for the Money Museum. During the 1966 Convention, an anonymous benefactor donated a large Yap stone to the Money Museum. It is the only piece from the Money Museum still in the possession of the NASC.

Early in 1967, President Borgolte announced that due to declining health, Karl M. Brainard had resigned as museum curator. He was named "Curator Emeritus."

In the 2nd issue of the *Quarterly* that year, President Borgolte wrote: "Negotiations have been completed with the Union Bank in Los Angeles for facilities in which to display our various numismatic items. Your Board of Directors has appropriated sufficient funds for the construction of display

cases, which should be complete and in the bank in the next sixty days."

President Borgolte appointed Ernest "Ernie" W. Hood as the new curator.

The NASC's Money Museum, housed at the new Union Bank located at 5th and Figueroa Sts. in Los Angeles, was dedicated on July 19, 1967.

In April, 1973, it was reported the NASC Money Museum was moved to a new location. This was at the Coast Federal Savings and Loan building located at 9th and Hill Streets in Los Angeles.

In 1974, the NASC Money Museum again found a new home. It was moved to the Airport-Century Branch of United California Bank, located at 9841 Airport Boulevard, across from the Marriott Hotel in Los Angeles.

In 1984, Museum Curator Ernest Hood retired from that position. He had been the curator for 17 years, since 1967, supervising several moves to new bank locations and keeping the exhibit current. In June, 1984, the NASC board named Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald the new curator. He was the third and last curator in the history of the museum founded by Karl M. Brainard.

In 1985, the bank notified the NASC that it could no longer provide a home for the museum. The cost of the insurance and the area set aside were too great to continue the program. After seeking solutions, the NASC Board reluctantly decided to close the museum and auction the assets creating a special fund to be maintained as a reserve for the association.

1965—Tenth NASC Annual Convention

On January 7, 1965, Corresponding Secretary Peggy E. Borgolte reported there were 761 Active Members and 55 member clubs of the NASC.

President Karl M. Brainard chaired the 10th Annual NASC Convention held at the Statler Hilton Hotel from February 24-27, 1965. Approximately 4,300 members and guests registered for the convention and 92 dealers manned the bourse. James Kelly from Ohio was the auctioneer for the second consecutive year.

For the first time, the NASC presented literary awards for articles published in the *Quarterly* during 1964. Maurice Jensen was awarded 1st place for his article entitled "The First U.S. Coin." The 2nd place winner was Kenneth Young. The Best-of-Show Exhibit Award winner was Thelma Case for her display of "Odd and Curious Money."

The following officers were installed at the Banquet on Saturday evening, February 16, 1965: President Murray Singer, President-Elect Walter T. Snyder, Vice-President Edwin C. Borgolte, Treasurer Harold F. Donald, Corresponding Secretary Peggy E. Borgolte, Recording Secretary Ann M. Hall, and Historian Thelma M. Case.

1966—Eleventh NASC Annual Convention

President Murray Singer chaired the 11th Annual NASC Convention held at the Statler Hilton Hotel from February 17-20, 1966. Approximately 4,000 members and guests registered for the convention and 316 guests attended the banquet. As a special event a tour of Universal Studios was offered on Friday. The bourse was manned by 93 dealers, and Numismatic Enterprises' Mike Kliman and Steve Kosoff conducted a three-session auction. The ANA held several board meetings during the convention. Exhibit Chairman James L. Betton reported that due to space limitation 30 exhibitors were turned away. Lawrence E. Morton won

the Best-of-Show Exhibit Award for his display "Type Coinage of Cuba." A special invitational display was set up by J. V. McDermott showing his 1913 Liberty nickel. The 1st place literary award for articles published during 1965 in the *Quarterly* went to Maurice Jensen for the second consecutive year and George Rony was a 2nd place winner.

There were several important educational forums during the show. The Society for International Numismatics (SIN) presented an event featuring its founding members. Accompanied by color slides, the presentation included a program on "Oriental Coinage and Currency" by Lewis Upton, the first SIN president; Carolyn Nestruck, who presented a program on "Chinese Cash Coins"; and a program on "Oriental Currency" prepared by Hal Woolway (who was ill) and presented by Lewis Upton. SIN founder Max Wedertz photographed and prepared the slides for this forum. The California Exonumist Society presented Abe Kosoff discussing the major changes taking place in our hobby and Mrs. Barbara Rader, who spoke on "Art in Coins and Medals."

The following officers were installed at the Banquet on Saturday evening: President Walter T. Snyder, President-Elect Edwin C. Borgolte, Vice-President Foster Hall, Treasurer Ethel Lenhert, Corresponding Secretary Peggy E. Borgolte, Recording Secretary Ann M. Hall, and Historian Thelma M. Case.

1967—Twelfth NASC Annual Convention

There were now 75 clubs and 672 individuals who were members of the NASC. The 12th Annual NASC Convention was held at the Statler Hilton

Hotel from February 9–12, 1967. President Walter T. Snyder served as general chairman. Over 3,500 paid to register for the show and another 2,000 or more visited the exhibit rooms and the auction sessions. A special attraction this year was the visit of 40 Boy Scouts, 60 Cub Scouts and 40 Sea Scouts. The bourse room was very busy with 93 dealers from all over the United States. James Kelly from Paramount Coins of Ohio conducted that year's auction.

The exhibit chairman, Sol Taylor, reported there were 67 competitive exhibits. Roy Gray won the Best-of-Show Exhibit Award.

The Society for International Numismatics again presented an educational forum with the title of "Exotic Countries of Africa." SIN President James L. Betton presided over this event.

The following officers were installed at the NASC Banquet: President Edwin C. Borgolte, President-Elect Foster Hall, Vice-President Peggy E. Borgolte, Treasurer Ethel Lenhart, Corresponding Secretary Elizabeth Goodson Wisslead, Recording Secretary Beatrice Young, and Historian Thelma M. Case.

It was announced in the 2nd quarter issue of the *NASC Quarterly* that president and vice-president Peggy and Edwin Borgolte had donated an award to be presented each year for the best coin club newsletter or publication. This award is known as the President's Award.

1967—The NASC Library

The 1967 4th quarter issue of the *NASC Quarterly* introduced the NASC Library. A complete inventory of available books was listed under the headings of "Soft Back Cover Books" and "Hard Cover Books" and they were

further divided into categories such as "United States" and "Grading Books." Directions were published informing members how they might check out the books for one month. Requests were to be sent to Vice-President Peggy E. Borgolte.

After many years, the use of the library by the members or the member clubs greatly diminished. It was decided at a board meeting, December 31, 1978, to auction the NASC Library to the members at a regular board meeting. It was announced the auction would be held following the board meeting of July 29, 1980. A list of all the books owned by the NASC Library was published in the summer, 1980, issue of the *Quarterly*. Every book was to be sold to the highest bidder, thus bringing an end to the library.

1967—Federal Income Tax Exemption

President Edwin C. Borgolte wrote in his President's Message in the 2nd quarter issue of the *Quarterly* of 1967: "Another important item is the NASC application for exemption from Federal Income Taxation." With the founding and requests for donations for the Money Museum, donors would be able to deduct their gifts on their income tax returns. The exemption would be granted upon the condition that the NASC's Articles of Incorporation were changed to conform with certain regulations of the Internal Revenue Service.

The NASC received a letter dated September 29, 1967, from the U.S. Treasury Department, which read in part, "Based upon the information and evidence now presented, including the amendment to your articles of incorporation, it is concluded that you are exempt from Federal Income Tax as an organization described in section I (3)

of the Internal Revenue Code, as it is shown that you are organized and operated exclusively for educational purposes.” Mr. F. S. Schmidt, District Director, signed the letter.

1968—Thirteenth NASC Annual Convention

It was called “The Lucky Thirteenth” and was held at the Statler Hilton Hotel February 15-18, 1968. Edwin C. Borgolte was chairman of this convention as 3,186 guests registered. There was another several thousand who viewed the exhibits and the sessions of the auction were conducted by Steve Kosoff and Mike Kliman of Numismatic Enterprises. The busy bourse presented 93 dealers.

One of the highlights of the educational forums was the Organization of International Numismatics event chaired by Maurice M. Gould. Edward C. Rochette and Thomas W. Becker were the speakers. For the first time, there was a tour of the nearby NASC Money Museum led by Curator Ernie Hood.

A new award, named after the late NASC President Richard P. Goodson, was founded, to go to the outstanding numismatist for the year. In 1968, it was presented to ANA Governor Charles Johnson. Armando Ojeda won the Best-of-Show Exhibit Award and the literary awards were as follows: Dr. Sol Taylor—1st place, George Rony—2nd place, and Peggy E. Borgolte—3rd place. Another first-time presentation was the President’s Trophy for the best coin club newsletter that was awarded to the Echo Park Coin Club.

Every living NASC past-president attended the Installation and Awards Banquet on Saturday evening. The following officers were installed: President Foster Hall, President-Elect Peggy

E. Borgolte, Vice-President James L. Betton Jr. Treasurer Ethel Lenhert, Corresponding Secretary Elizabeth Goodson, Recording Secretary Beatrice Young, and Historian Thelma M. Case.

1969—Fourteenth NASC Annual Convention

More than 3,000 members and guests registered for the 14th Annual NASC Convention held at the Statler Hilton Hotel, February 13-16, 1969. This convention was chaired by President Foster Hall. James Kelly, from Paramount Coin Corporation of Ohio, conducted a three-session auction. The NASC Educational Forum, presided over by President-Elect Peggy E. Borgolte, featured Abe Kosoff who spoke about the famous Lilly collection. The second speaker was James Conlon, the director of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, and the final speaker was Fred Green representing Krause Publications.

Gordon Z. Greene, the exhibit chairman, presented Leonard Ratzman with the Best-of-Show Exhibit Award for his display of buffalo nickels. Another highlight in the exhibit area was the billon dollar display from the Bureau of Engraving and Printing. The Treasury Department brought their intaglio printing press to demonstrate the printing of the nation’s currency.

Two hundred and seventeen guests attended the Saturday banquet. The winner of the Richard P. Goodson Memorial Award, first given in 1968, was presented to Abe Kosoff. The President’s Award, in recognition of the best coin club newsletter for the past year, was won by the Azteca Numismatic Society. Dr. Sol Taylor won the 1st place literary award, Zenia Kreizel won 2nd place, and James L. Betton won 3rd place.

The following officers were installed at the banquet: President Peggy E. Borgolte, President-Elect James L. Betton Jr., Vice-President Benjamin Abelson, Treasurer Ethel Lenhert, Corresponding Secretary James J. Waldorf, Recording Secretary Ann M. Hall, and Historian Thelma M. Case.

1970—Fifteenth NASC Annual Convention

The “Fabulous Fifteenth” Annual NASC Convention was held at the Hilton Hotel from February 19-22, 1970. NASC President Peggy E. Borgolte, the first woman president of the NASC, was chairman of the show. Registration reported that 2,998 members and guests attended the show with a reported 95 dealers in the bourse. The auction was conducted by Numismatic Enterprises of Encino, under the direction of Abe Kosoff and Mike Kliman. The Educational Forum, presided over by Maurice M. Gould, featured Kenn Henderson from New York, Valentine Pasvolksy of New Jersey, and Yitzhak Avni from Jerusalem.

A first at this convention was the introduction of the “Fabulous Fifteenth” convention medal and first day cover. Dr. Carl B. Younger and Ed McClung were granted permission by

the NASC to design and strike the medal. The medal depicted the famous Los Angeles “Angel’s Flight” on the obverse and the official NASC seal on the reverse. Dr. Younger and Mr. McClung were interested in the Philatelic-Numismatic Combination (PNC) Cover. The mintage figures were: 100 silver, 1,130 golden-bronze, and 830 copper that were inserted in a specially prepared PNC cover and postmarked on the first day of the convention. This began a long and important collaboration between the NASC conventions and the United States Post Office at the conventions. Eventually the NASC created an official committee to oversee the post office at the conventions. For many years, Robert Thompson, a post office employee, served as chairman of the Post Office Committee.

There were 305 guests at the NASC banquet on Saturday. The third person to be recognized for their out-



Peggy Borgolte was the first woman president of the NASC, and the first woman on the west coast to be elected as a Fellow to the Royal Numismatic Society (FRNS).



At this board meeting on June 1, 1969, President Peggy Borgolte appoints her officers. From left: Ethyl Lenhert (Treasurer), James J. Waldorf (Corresponding Secretary), Peggy Borgolte (President), Ann Hall (Recording Secretary), James J. Betton (President-Elect), and Ben Abelson (1st Vice-President).

standing work in numismatics with the Richard P. Goodson Memorial Award was Maurice M. Gould. Douglas Wark won the Lewis M. Regan Memorial Foundation “Steve Kosoff Best-of-Show” exhibit award for his “Canadian Type Set” display. The President’s Trophy for the best coin club newsletter was given to the Los Angeles Coin Club. Thomas W. Becker won the 1st place literary award, Maurice M. Gould 2nd place, and Ethel Lenhart 3rd place.

The following officers were installed at the banquet on Saturday evening: President James L. Betton Jr., President-Elect Benjamin Abelson, Vice-President William O. Wisslead, Treasurer Ethel Lenhart, Corresponding Secretary James J. Waldorf, Recording Secretary Milton Fishgold, and Historian Thelma M. Case.

1970—NASC Medals and First Day Covers

The first medals to bear the logo of the NASC were issued by PANART. The medals and the first day covers (creating a PNC) were introduced at the fifteenth convention in February, 1970. PANART, a company owned by Dr. Carl Younger and Ed McClung, was granted permission by the NASC to produce medals and first day covers. All medals carried a scene of the Angel’s Flight Railroad of Los Angeles on the obverse and the NASC seal on the reverse. According to an official report by Golden States Numismatics that was entered into the March 22, 1970, board minutes, the mintages for the 1970 Angel’s Flight medals are listed on the facing page.

At the 1971 Convention, Dr. Carl Younger and Ed McClung were again given permission to strike a medal to be included in a PNC. This medal continued the practice of bearing the NASC

seal on the reverse (this became the custom and all convention and banquet medals have this common reverse), and another Los Angeles landmark on the obverse, Union Station, where so many trains arrived and departed.

1971—Sixteenth NASC Annual Convention

President James L. Betton named this the “Sensational Sixteenth” NASC Annual Convention. It was held February 18-21, 1971, at the Hilton Hotel. Ninety-three dealers were in the bourse and Paramount International Coin Corporation of Ohio conducted the auction. Through the assistance of Abe Kosoff, the Hydeman 1913 Liberty nickel and the Idler 1804 silver dollar were on display. A tour of the nearby NASC Money Museum, hosted by Curator Ernie Hood, had now become a regular activity of the conventions. Maurice M. Gould again chaired a prestigious educational forum featuring Raymond G. Manville, Sylvia Haffner, and Mint Director Eva B. Adams.

Three hundred and fifty guests attended the gala banquet on Saturday evening. For the first time two members were honored for their outstanding work in numismatics. Abe Kosoff presented the Richard P Goodson Memorial Award to Karl M. Brainard, NASC founder, and Peggy E. Borgolte, NASC past-president. The Lewis M. Regan Foundation “Steve Kosoff Best-of-Show” exhibit award went to Lawrence Morton for his display “Iceland the Mystic Isle.” The literary awards were presented to Leona Kohl—1st place, Richard Trowbridge—2nd place, and Dr. Sol Taylor—3rd place. The President’s Trophy for the best coin club newsletter was awarded to the West Valley Coin Club.

The following officers were in-

stalled at the banquet on Saturday evening: President Benjamin M. Abelson, President-Elect William O. Wisslead, Vice-President Gordon Z. Greene, Treasurer Ethel Lenhert, Corresponding Secretary Evelyn Sadler, Recording Secretary Barbara Rader Hyde, and Historian Thelma M. Case.

Sadly, it was announced that Karl M. Brainard, NASC founder who had earlier been awarded the Richard P. Goodson Memorial Award, died August 21, 1971.

1971—NASC Club Workshops

President Benjamin Abelson, in his first President's Message, wrote: "In the planning stage by NASC is a full day symposium and work shop on how to improve the quality of and participation in local coin club meetings." In his second President's Message, President Abelson announced a Numismatic Club Workshop was scheduled on Saturday, July 24, 1971, at the Los Angeles Hilton Hotel. Attendance was by luncheon ticket only (\$5.00). Ben Abelson and Val C. Mogenson co-chaired the event.

Table of NASC PNCs

<i>Conv.</i>	<i>Year</i>	<i>Theme</i>	<i>Silver</i>	<i>Gold/Br.</i>	<i>Copper</i>	<i>Alum</i>	<i>Nickel</i>	<i>Sets</i>
15th	1970	Angel's Flight	100	1130	*830	6	6	6
16th	1971	Union Station	50	500	*1000	8	8	8

* *Placed into First Day Covers that were canceled the first day of the convention.*

Table of Official NASC Medals

Below are the three banquet medals:

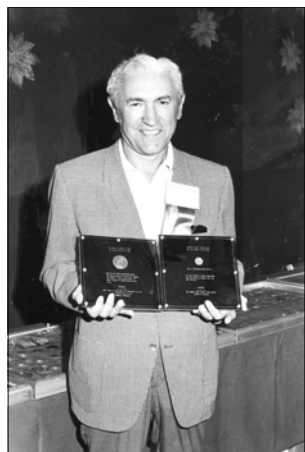
<i>Conv.</i>	<i>Year</i>	<i>Theme</i>	<i>Silver</i>	<i>Gold/Br.</i>	<i>Oxid/Br.</i>	<i>Aluminum</i>	<i>Sets</i>
26th	1981	America First Crossed Flags	4	350	4	4	4
27th	1982	Cedar Tree		300			
28th	1983	Geo. Washington	1	225	1	1	1

Starting in 1986 copper was added to the metals struck.

<i>Conv.</i>	<i>Year</i>	<i>Theme</i>	<i>Silver</i>	<i>Gold/Br.</i>	<i>Copper</i>	<i>Oxid/Br.</i>	<i>Alum.</i>	<i>Sets</i>
31st	1986	Liberty Head	100	2000	10	3	3	3
32nd	1987	Queen Isabella	100	1500	16	3	3	3
33rd	1988	Youth In Numis.	100	1200	16	3	3	3
34th	1989	Indian	100	850	19	3	3	3
35th	1990	Golden State I	80	300	25	3	3	3
36th	1991	"We Are One"	80	300	25	3	100	3
37th	1992	First Mint	80	300	25	3	100	3
38th	1993	White House	65	230	25	100	100	3
39th	1994	Astronauts	60	215	25	115	85	3
40th	1995	Land-Sea-Air	55	100	25	84	90	3
41st	1996	Jerusalem	50	82	25	70	85	3
42nd	1997	Calif.—Sea-Desert	46	78	25	66	85	3
43rd	1998	4 NASC Presidents	46	78	25	66	85	3
44th	1999	Gold Rush	46	78	25	66	85	3
45th	2000	Calif. Currency	32	60	20	45	67	3
46th	2001	Theodore Roosevelt	29	51	20	45	67	3
47th	2002	Viking	34	70	20	45	75	3



*Above: Jim Betton, William Wisslead and James Waldorf.
Right: Abe Kosoff.*



Each year, a complete and concise summary of the workshop was published in order to permit those in attendance to take back valuable and helpful information to improve their clubs.

The first three workshops were held at the convention hotel, the Hilton located in downtown Los Angeles. Chairman Dr. Sol Taylor scheduled the 4th workshop in the City of Commerce with the hope that a new location and free parking would increase club participation. The NASC offered two free luncheon tickets to each club making it possible for married couples, etc. to come and learn together. Attending club representatives were asked to bring club newsletters and other ideas, as well as questions, to create a “hands-on” opportunity to improve their clubs.

Attendance at both the 10th and 11th coin club workshops, in spite of aggressive advertising, dramatically declined. By 1980, the number of NASC member clubs had diminished, as well as the number of members belonging to these southern California organizations. A review of the clubs’ leaders who had attended more than one workshop showed they were the same officers and had learned almost all of the ideas leading to a successful

coin club. In addition, the cost of these events had significantly increased, causing the association to ask the attendees to pay for their lunch. Following the eleventh annual workshop, it was decided to end the series.

However, a special tribute should be afforded to President Benjamin Abelson whose idea resulted in these events and the immeasurable assistance that the eleven workshops provided the member clubs.

1. July 24, 1971, Hilton Hotel, Benjamin Abelson, Val Mogensson, co-chairmen.
2. July 22, 1972, Hilton Hotel, William O. Wisslead, Gordon Z. Greene, co-chairmen.
3. September 23, 1973, Hilton Hotel, William O. Wisslead, chairman.
4. August 3, 1974, Hyatt House (City of Commerce), Dr. Sol Taylor, chairman.
5. July 19, 1975, Hyatt House (City of Commerce) Dr. Sol Taylor, chairman.
6. July 31, 1976, Hyatt House (City of Commerce) Edwin C. Borgolte, chairman.
7. July 16, 1977, Hyatt House (City of Commerce), George

- A. Price, chairman.
8. September 16, 1978, Sportsmen's Lodge (Studio City), Sally Marx, chairman.
 9. July 28, 1979, Holiday Inn (Fullerton), Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald, chairman.
 10. July 19, 1980, Holiday Inn (Fullerton), Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald, chairman.
 11. October 10, 1981, Sheraton-Universal Hotel (North Hollywood)—Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald, chairman.

1972—Seventeenth NASC Annual Convention

The "Super Seventeenth" NASC Annual Convention, chaired by NASC President Benjamin M. Abelson, was held at the Hilton Hotel, February 24-27, 1972. The bourse was made up of 94 dealers, 58 of whom came from outside the state of California or outside the country. The Rare Coin Company of America from Chicago, Illinois, conducted a very successful auction. Reflecting the growing number of competing coin shows and the ongoing decline in club attendance, a little more than 2,000 visitors registered for this convention. As had become the custom, Maurice M. Gould moderated the Educational Forum. Hans Schulman, Aubrey Beebe, and John J. Pittman were the speakers.

There were 275 guests at the Saturday evening banquet who witnessed the Richard P. Goodson Memorial Award being presented to Herbert M. Bergen as the outstanding numismatist during 1971. The West Valley Coin Club claimed the President's Trophy for the best NASC coin club newsletter. This was the 2nd consecutive year the club won this award. Winners of the literary awards were James L. Waldorf—1st

place, Sol Taylor—2nd place and Peggy E. Borgolte—3rd place. The Lewis M. Regan Memorial Steve Kosoff Best-of-Show Exhibit Award went to Vincent Beretta for his display with the title of "Twenty-Seven Olympic Medals."

The following officers were installed at the banquet: President William O. Wisslead, President-Elect Gordon Z. Greene, Vice-President James J. Waldorf, Treasurer Walter T. Snyder, Corresponding Secretary Ethel Lenhart, Recording Secretary Barbara Rader Hyde, and Historian Thelma M. Case.

In New Orleans, where the ANA held their annual anniversary convention in August, 1972, Ed Rochette presented Editor Peggy E. Borgolte with the ANA award naming the *NASC Quarterly* the best regional coin publication.

1972—California Educational Seminars

The first California Educational Seminar was held on September 23-24, 1972, under its founder and chairman, Maurice M. Gould. The seminar was held in the Kellogg West Center for Continuing Education at Cal Poly, Pomona. This seminar, sponsored by the regional and state organizations represented by William O. Wisslead, Charles G. Colver and James L. Betton, Jr., was focused on counterfeits. The sponsoring organizations were the California State Numismatic Association, the Convention of International Numismatists, the Society for International Numismatics and the Organization of International Numismatists.

Virgil Hancock, from the ANA, was the instructor of the workshop that consisted of two days of laboratory work utilizing microscopes from the

University.

The second annual California Educational Seminar was held September 8-10, 1973, at Cal Poly in the Kellogg West Center for Continuing Education. The first seminar was so successful that the workshop was expanded to three days. Chairman Maurice M. Gould again planned to address the growing problem of authenticating coins. Virgil Hancock assisted by John Hunter were the instructors once again. In addition to authenticating coins, a full day was planned to learn about properly grading coins as taught by NASC Vice-President Dr. Sol Taylor.

The third annual California Educational Seminar was held at Cal Poly at the Kellogg West Center, September 13-15, 1974. Maurice M. Gould was again the chairman, assisted by William O. Wisslead who served as assistant

chairman. Col. Robert Kriz of Florida joined Virgil Hancock and John Hunter as instructors. Dr. Sol Taylor again presented a one-day coin-grading seminar.

The fourth annual California Educational Seminar was held August 15-17, 1975, just prior to the ANA 84th Anniversary Convention in Los Angeles. Chairman Maurice M. Gould was in charge of this conference again scheduled at the Kellogg West Center. He had programs for both the advanced numismatists and for those attending for the first time. Virgil Hancock, John Hunter and Col. Kriz managed the authentication seminar and Dr. Sol Taylor conducted the grading workshop. For the first time, students successfully completing the seminar received one credit from Cal Poly, Pomona.



1972 Officers—

Seated (from left): Ethyl Lenhert (Treasurer), William Wisslead (President-Elect), Benjamin Ableson (President), Barbara Hyde (Recording Secretary).

Standing (from left): William Saddler (Board), Milton Frisgold (Exhibits), Evelyn Saddler (Corresponding Secretary), James Betton (Past President), Peggy Borgolte (Board), and barely squeezing in, Amando Ojeda (Board).

1973—Eighteenth NASC Annual Convention

The “Elegant Eighteenth” NASC Annual Convention, under the chairmanship of William O. Wisslead, was held at the Hilton Hotel, February 22-25, 1973. Registration totaled 3,777 members and guests. These included two directors of the U.S. Mint, Mary T. Brooks and Eva Adams. Paramount International Coin Corporation from Englewood, Ohio, conducted the auction for the second consecutive year.

The Friday Night Educational Forum, with an attendance of about 140 people, bore the title: “Past, Present and Future of Numismatics.” The moderator, Maurice M. Gould, presented an all-women speakers program. They were: ANA Vice-President Virginia Culver, U.S. Mint Director Mary T. Brooks, and *Coin World* Editor Margo Russell. Other forums held during the convention included the California Exonumist Society, California Wooden Money Collectors, Azteca Society, and the American British Numismatic Society.

Two hundred and eighty-five guests attended the gala banquet on Saturday evening. The Richard P. Goodson Memorial Award, presented to the most outstanding numismatist during 1972, was awarded to outgoing President William O. Wisslead. The President’s Trophy for the best coin club newsletter was awarded to the American British Numismatic Society. The literary awards, now named after NASC Founder Karl M. Brainard, were presented to Earl O’Cathey—1st place, Richard L. Trowbridge—2nd place, and Maurice M. Gould—3rd place. The Lewis M. Reagan Foundation Steve Kosoff Best-of-Show award was won by Robert Marshall for his display, “The Sovereign.”

The NASC established a young numismatist award during 1972. Editor Peggy E. Borgolte donated a Junior Achievement Award. Nominations for the awards were submitted by the member clubs to the selection committee. This initial presentation was given to 15-year old Debbie Martin, 14-year old James Zimmerman, and 14-year old Kenneth Byrne.

The following officers were installed at the banquet: President Gordon Z. Greene, President-Elect James J. Waldorf, Vice-President Dr. Sol Taylor, Treasurer Walter T. Snyder, Corresponding Secretary Carol Giron, Recording Secretary Barbara Rader Hyder, and Historian Thelma M. Case.

By 1973 it became obvious that the NASC had outgrown the space available at the Los Angeles Hilton Hotel. Not only was the display area limited, but also each year dealers had to be denied tables because of limited space for the bourse. In President Gordon Z. Green’s first President’s Message of 1973 he wrote (referring to the 1972 convention), “We had an overflow of dealers wanting space...we could have filled the Los Angeles Convention Center.”

1974—Nineteenth NASC Annual Convention

Dubbed the “Numismatic Nineteenth” convention,” the NASC’s annual event was held at the Hilton Hotel, February 7-10, 1974, with President Gordon Z. Greene as general chairman. It was reported that over 3,000 members and guests registered for the show with a bourse of 88 dealers. The American Auction Association, a division of Bowers and Ruddy Galleries of Hollywood, conducted the auction,

The Friday evening forum, again moderated by Maurice M. Gould, fea-

tured Abe Kosoff, Yitzhak Avni and former Mint Director Eva Adams. Other forums included the California Exonumist Society, American Israel Numismatic Association, American British Numismatic Society, Azteca Society, and the California Wooden Money Association.

The following awards were presented at the banquet on Saturday evening: Richard P. Goodson Memorial Award to the most outstanding numismatist during 1973 was awarded to NASC Past-President Murray Singer. The Karl M. Brainard Memorial Literary Awards were won by: James L. Betton—1st place, Albert K. Hall—2nd place, and Dr. Sol Taylor—3rd place. The Junior Achievement Award went to 16-year old Albert Cole as the most outstanding young numismatist during 1973. The President's Trophy, for the best coin club newsletter, was presented to the Israel Numismatic Society of San Gabriel Valley. The Lewis M. Reagan Foundation "Steve Kosoff Best-of-Show" exhibit award went to Monsignor Greteman for his display entitled "Coins by Barber."

The following officers for 1975 were installed at the banquet: President James J. Waldorf, President-Elect Dr. Sol Taylor, Vice-President Val C. Mogensén, Treasurer Paul Newell, Corresponding Secretary Carol A. Lynn, Recording Secretary Betty L. Brander, and Historian Thelma M. Case.

1974—NASC Dealer and Collector Forum

As the NASC continued to provide leadership and help to its member clubs, a Dealer-Collector Forum was scheduled. The first forum was held on December 8, 1974 at the Holiday Inn in Van Nuys, California. The program was:

1. Ira Goldberg, Superior Coin & Stamp Company, "Buying and Selling Coins."
2. Steve Markoff, A-Mark Corporation, "Dealer's Organization."
3. Dave Bowers, Bowers and Ruddy Galleries, "Dealer's Ethics."
4. George Bennett, Bennett and Singer Auctions, "Ins and Outs of Coin Auctions."

The 2nd NASC Dealer-Collector Forum took place on December 7, 1975, at the Hilton Hotel in Los Angeles. The program was:

1. Maurice M. Gould, numismatic educator, "The Whys and Wherefores of Collecting."
2. Abe Kosoff, numismatic adviser, "Coin Auctions – How and What to Do."
3. Ralph A. "Curly" Mitchell, Franklin Mint, "Private Mints and their Productions."
4. Mel Wacks, A-Mark Corporation, "Marketing Methods."

1975—Twentieth NASC Annual Convention

The "Transcendental Twentieth" NASC Annual Convention was held at the Hilton Hotel, with President James J. Waldorf presiding, February 13-16, 1975. The auction was conducted by the Paramount International Coin Corporation from Englewood, Ohio. In order to accommodate more dealers, two rooms were utilized, one on each side of the registration desk.

Chairman Maurice M. Gould presented the following speakers at the Educational Forum on Friday evening: Mel Wacks, Virgil Hancock and David T. Alexander. The California Exonumist Society; Azteca Society; California Wooden Money Association and

American British Numismatic Society conducted other educational forums.

The annual banquet, held on Saturday evening, again included the presentation of numerous awards. The Richard P. Goodson Memorial Award, presented to the most outstanding numismatist during 1974, was bestowed on NASC Past-President Walter Snyder. The Karl M. Brainard Memorial Literary Awards were won by: Peggy E. Borgolte—1st place, Maurice M. Gould—2nd place, and Dr. Sol Taylor—3rd place. The President's Trophy for the best coin club newsletter went to the Torrance Coin Club. The Junior Achievement Award was presented to 16-year old Marti Hughes. Albert K. Hall won the Lewis M. Reagan Foundation "Steve Kosoff Best-of-Show" exhibit award for his display of "Two Decorations of Thailand."

The following officers were installed at the banquet: President Dr. Sol Taylor, President-Elect Val C. Mogenssen, Vice-President Raymond R. Reinoehl, Treasurer C. Paul Newell, Corresponding Secretary Carol Linn, Recording Secretary Alvina H. Fontaine, and Historian Thelma M. Case.

The cover of the four 1975 NASC quarterlies, edited by J. H. Mcinnis Jr., carried the additional logo of the Bicentennial of the American Revolution. In his first President's Message, Dr. Sol Taylor set forth four goals:

1. To be grand hosts as the NASC will host the 84th Annual Summer Anniversary Convention of the American Numismatic Association in August, 1975.
2. To conduct an outstanding 5th Coin Club Workshop.
3. To increase membership.
4. To have a great 1976, 21st NASC Annual Convention in February, 1976.

1975—NASC Hosts the ANA Anniversary Convention

The NASC was invited and agreed to act as the host club for the 84th American Numismatic Association's Anniversary Convention to be held at the Los Angeles International Airport Marriot Hotel, August 19-24, 1975.

In 1975, The ANA convention staff expected the host committee to carry out many of the responsibilities that are now the province of the headquarters staff from Colorado. Val Mogenssen was selected to serve as assistant general chairman; however, he was forced to resign because he was transferred to Philadelphia. Murray Singer replaced him. The NASC-ANA Convention Committee included:

General Chairman – Edwin C. Borgolte
Asst. Gen. Chairman – Murray Singer
Program – Barbara R. Hyde
Secretary – Carol A. Linn
Property – Milton Fishgold
Banquet – Armando & Alieia Ojeda
Publicity – Dr. Sol Taylor
Exhibits – C. Paul Newell
Asst. Publicity – David L. Ganz
Asst. Exhibits – Richard Lebold
Registration – Ethel Lenhert
Finance – Thomas H. Wood
Asst. Registration – Carol A. Linn
Hospitality – Leonora Donald
Security – Walter T. Snyder
Housing – Albert L. Baber
Printing – Nate Bromberg
Asst. Security – Thomas Fitzgerald
Medals & Ribbons – Gordon Z. Greene
Spec. Events – Mel & Mil. Fishel
Patriot Listing – Paul & Glenda Koppenhaver
Young Numis. – James J. Waldorf
Pre-Registration – Peggy E. Borgolte
Bourse – Raymond E. Reinoehl

The convention theme was "Early California" and the motif was "Fiesta de Dinero" (Festival of Coins). Dr. Sol

Taylor and Gordon Z. Greene designed the 84th ANA Convention Medal from two design entries. Artist Barbara Hyde prepared the model of the medal. One side of the medal, designed by Gordon Greene, depicted the skyline of Los Angeles in 1975 while the other side, by Dr. Sol Taylor, pictured the old Spanish Mission de Los Angeles.

Azteca Society and NASC members Peter and Betty Brander won the Howland Wood Memorial Award, the ANA's Best-of-Show Exhibit Award for their display, "Nueva Espana," on the colonial coins of Mexico. Paid registration was 1,035 plus 323 free entries setting a new ANA record attendance for the Anniversary Convention. Banquet tickets cost \$15 and 485 guests attended the dinner.

1976—Twenty-First NASC Annual Convention

For the first time, two major coin shows were scheduled in southern California at the same time. The Long Beach Coin & Collectibles Exposition and the 21st NASC Annual Convention were held February 19-22, 1976. President Dr. Sol Taylor chaired the NASC show, called the Bicentennial Convention, at the Hilton Hotel. Although it was reported that attendance was up about 30%, there were vacancies to host about eight more dealers. Bowers and Ruddy Galleries of Los Angeles conducted the auction.

For a number of years, the U.S. Postal Service operated a post office at the conventions. The NASC had been successful in getting their seal, as well as the Bicentennial logo, during the show. Many cancellations were avail-



Top (from left): Dr. Sol Taylor, Paul Borack, Nona Moore, and Nate Bromberg.

Left: dressed as a leprechaun, Myron "Little Mac" McClaflin and the more sedately attired Richard Lebold.

able with the special stamps, depicting the signing of the Declaration of Independence, to all who attended the event.

Mike Kliman was the moderator of the NASC Educational Forum on Friday evening. The speakers were former Mint Director Eva Adams, authentication expert Virgil Hancock, and ancient coin dealer Joel Malter.

It was almost “Duffy Waldorf” night at the Saturday evening NASC banquet. The newly named Maurice M. Gould Junior Achievement Award winner was 14-year old Duffy Waldorf, the son of Past-President James Waldorf. We now know Duffy as a top pro golfer as he competes on the PGA Tour. The previous year’s winner, Walter T. Snyder, awarded the Richard P. Goodson Memorial Award, presented to the most outstanding numismatist during 1975, to NASC Past-President Thomas H. Wood. The Lewis M. Reagan Foundation “Steve Kosoff Best-of-Show” exhibit award was presented for the 2nd consecutive year to Albert K. Hall for his display with the title of “Silver Bullet Money of Rama IV.” The winners of the Karl M. Brainard Memorial Literary Awards were: Duffy Waldorf—1st place, Dr. Sol Taylor—2nd place and Richard A. Trowbridge—3rd place. The President’s Trophy for the best coin club newsletter went to the Azteca Numismatic Society.

Special honors were given at the banquet to the following four dealers who had tables at all 21 NASC Conventions: Abner Kresiberg, Kenneth W. Lee, Jack Seeler, and Norman Shultz.

The following officers were installed at the banquet: President Raymond R. Reinoehl, President-Elect Myron L. McClafflin, Vice-President Richard Lebold, Treasurer Walter T. Snyder, Corresponding Secretary Carol A. Linn, Recording Secretary Alvina H.

Fontaine, and Historian Leonora Donald. Thelma M. Case had retired after 20 years as historian and was named historian-emeritus.

1976—The Winds of Change

Since 1975, in order to accommodate the number of dealers applying for tables, the bourse at the NASC conventions were divided between two different rooms. If only one room was utilized, there would be spaces for only 64 dealers. A committee headed by James Waldorf was appointed to consider other locations for the NASC convention beginning in 1978. Except for the first two years (1956-57), all of the annual conventions were held at the Hilton Hotel in Los Angeles. Not only had the size of the bourse room been a problem, but also parking in downtown Los Angeles was a major difficulty.

The existing contract between the Los Angeles Hilton Hotel and the NASC ended following the 1978 (23rd) convention. The spring, 1978, issue of the *Quarterly* contained this information from President Richard F. Lebold: “We are going into a new hotel for our convention. The Ambassador Hotel has several advantages that will enhance our convention. One of the best is that all of the dealers will be in one large central area, making them easier to find. There is plenty of parking.”

1977—Twenty-Second NASC Annual Convention

NASC President Raymond R. Reinoehl chose “AMISTAD CON MEXICO A TRAVE’S DE NUMISMATICAS” (Friendship with Mexico Through Numismatics) as his theme. The covers of the NASC quarterlies for 1976 pictured the Mission Church, by Editor J. H. Mcinnis Jr., “El Pueblo de Huestra Senora la Reina de Los Ange-

les.” The City of Los Angeles was founded on Olvera Street.

The convention took place at the Los Angeles Hilton Hotel, February 24-27, 1977 with President Raymond R. Reinoehl serving as chairman. However, for the first time and copying a tradition from the ANA conventions, the NASC voted to have a PNG (Professional Numismatists Guild) day on Wednesday, February 23rd. This day, using the facilities of the NASC show, was open only to PNG dealers and their invited guests. The day was completed with a PNG Banquet on Wednesday evening.

It was reported the paid registration of 1,600 was very disappointing. The auction was conducted by the Paramount International Coin Corporation from Englewood, Ohio.

The NASC Friday evening Educational Forum, again moderated by Mike Kliman, featured Adna G. Wilde, Cy Phillips, Jr., and Bruce McNall, who would go on to own the Los Angeles Kings hockey team. On Friday, the Society of Paper Money Collectors held a luncheon. Other educational forums during the convention included The Azteca Numismatic Society, California Exonumist Society, California Wooden Money Association, and the Society for International Numismatics.

The Saturday banquet (prime rib dinner that cost \$12.50 per ticket) was the time to recognize outstanding members with the following awards: The association’s highest honor, the Richard P. Goodson Memorial Award for the most outstanding numismatist during 1976 was presented to Past-President George Bennett. The Maurice M. Gould Junior Achievement Award was presented to Oscar Lopez. The Lewis M. Reagan Foundation “Steve Kosoff Best-of-Show” exhibit award was won

by Peter and Betty Brander for their display with the title of “Memorabilia of Agustin de Iturbide—Emperor of Mexico.” The Karl M. Brainard Literary Awards were given to: James L. Betton, Jr.—1st place, Mel Wacks—2nd place, and Dr. Sol Taylor—3rd place. The President’s Trophy for the best coin club newsletter was presented to the San Bernardino County Coin Club.

The following officers were installed at the banquet: President Myron L. McClafin, President-Elect Richard F. Lebold, Vice-President J.H. McInnis, Jr., Treasurer Walter T. Snyder, Corresponding Secretary Carol A. Linn, Recording Secretary Alburtus Hooegeveen, and Historian Leonora Donald.

1977—The NASC’s Member Club Benefit Gold Drawing

The Member Club Benefit Gold Drawing was first discussed informally early in 1977 at a meeting called by President Myron McClafin at Walter Snyder’s home. There wasn’t much enthusiasm but there was enough interest to cause Raymond Reinoehl to bring it to the next NASC board meeting. A committee under Chairman Reinoehl was to study the proposal and report back to the board. The committee completed its work and presented their plan at the next board meeting in 1977. It was voted to go ahead with the program with the first drawing scheduled at the 1978 NASC Convention.

The NASC budgeted \$7,500 for the program. Thirty-five gold coins were offered as prizes. To encourage sales a two and one-half peso Mexican gold coin would be given to each club selling 100 or more tickets. Tickets would sell for 50-cents each or \$2.00 for a book of five tickets. The clubs would keep \$1.00 for every book sold

and the remaining \$1.00 would go to the NASC to pay for the gold coins. The NASC would not make any profit. If there was a surplus it would be divided among participating clubs. There was no risk to the member clubs, only an opportunity to raise needed funds for their club's programs. If there was a loss the NASC would absorb the costs.

The goals of the Club Benefit Gold Drawing were to: (1) assist NASC member clubs in meeting their financial needs; (2) cause clubs to work together in meeting a common goal with mutual benefits; (3) acquaint people attending various coin club meetings with the NASC and elicit their support of the local coin clubs. It was believed the member clubs that were not sending club representatives to the NASC meetings would now do so.

The results of this first Member Club Benefit Gold Drawing were: (1) 52 member clubs participated and added \$5,200 to their treasuries through their ticket sales; (2) two clubs reinstated their membership to the NASC; (3) the name and purposes of the NASC became better known.

The NASC was founded on the principle of serving its member clubs through its many activities. The NASC Member Club Benefit Gold Drawing continues to be one of the very best ways the association has provided very tangible benefits to its member clubs.

In 1977 the NASC leadership was concerned about the future of the annual conventions at the Hilton Hotel. The bourse could no longer be housed in one room causing concerns particularly among dealers. The hotel had become very busy as they developed catering services to attract conventions and more tourist trade. The problem for the NASC was to guarantee dates for the next five years in order to assure the

auction houses and the dealers of confirmed dates for their calendars. It was decided in 1977 to appoint a committee to look into the possibility of moving to a different hotel.

At the January 29, 1978, NASC board meeting, a committee composed of Chairman Tom Wood and Raymond Reinoehl recommended a move to the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles. The first NASC Annual Convention to be held at the Ambassador Hotel, January 25-27, 1979, was chaired by President Richard F. Lebold.

1978—Twenty-Third NASC Annual Convention

The 23rd NASC Annual Convention, under the chairmanship of President Myron L. McClafin, was held at the Hilton Hotel, February 9-11, 1978. Ever since the 11th annual convention in 1966 the shows were four days in length. With the declining attendance and other problems at the hotel, the 23rd meeting in 1978 was reduced to three days.

President McClafin could easily be mistaken for a Leprechaun and the theme of this year's convention was Ireland. Unfortunately, it poured down rain for the first two days of the convention. Another twist of fate took place during the show. The Hilton Hotel booked another meeting with the Iranian Ambassador as a speaker at the same time as the NASC event. An Iranian student group reacted with a mass demonstration that, of course, caused the Los Angeles Police Department to respond. Not only were there massive picket and police lines (with police dogs), but also parking was impossible.

The Bowers and Ruddy Galleries of Los Angeles conducted the auction. More than eighty dealers offered their wares in the bourse. The Society of

Paper Money Collectors held their luncheon on Friday and the NASC Education Forum, moderated by Peggy E. Borgolte, featured Margo Russell, Gary Gordon, and William F. Krieg. For the first time the NASC offered a Junior Forum on Saturday. Donna Sims chaired this event, and J.H. McInnis, Jr. was the speaker.

At the close of the business day on Saturday the first NASC Member Club Benefit Gold drawing was held. Thirty-five gold coins were given out as selected from the huge cage holding some 5,200 stubs put in from all the tickets sold by the various member clubs.

The usual Saturday evening banquet was the venue to present the various NASC awards. The Richard P. Goodson Memorial Award to the most outstanding numismatist during 1977 was presented to Corresponding Secretary Carol A. Linn. Theodore Lopez won the Maurice M. Gould Junior Achievement Award. The Lewis M Reagan Foundation "Steve Kosoff Best-of Show" exhibit award winner was Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald for his display of "Fractional Currency." The Karl M Brainard Memorial Literary Awards were presented to Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald—1st place, Raymond R. Reinoehl—2nd place, and Robert A. Marshall—3rd place. The President's Trophy for the best coin club newsletter was awarded to the San Bernardino County Coin Club.

The following officers were installed at the banquet: President Richard F. Lebold, President-Elect J.H. McInnis, Jr., Vice-President Nona G. Moore, Treasurer Walter T. Snyder, Corresponding Secretary Carol A. Linn, Recording Secretary Albertus Hoogeveen, and Historian Leonora Donald.

1979—Twenty-Fourth NASC Annual Convention

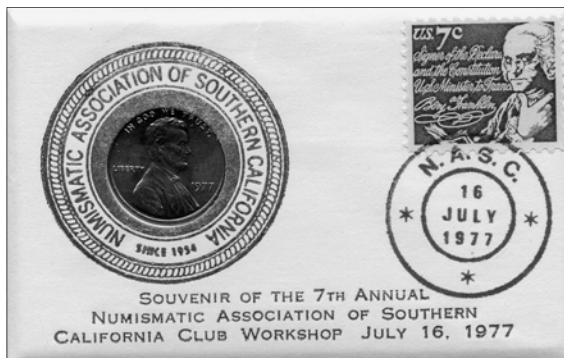
The theme for the 24th NASC Annual Convention, chosen by NASC President and Convention Chairman Richard F. Lebold, was Germany. This resulted in all 1978 issues of the Quarterly having their covers the same colors as the German flag along with several emblems including the German eagle. The convention was held on January 25-27, 1979, at the spacious Ambassador Hotel. This was the first time the event was not at the Hilton Hotel since 1958.

For the first time in several years, the number of folks registering for the convention was over 2,000. The auction was conducted by Kagins from Des Moines, Iowa. The Society of Paper Money Collectors again held their annual luncheon with Randy Briggs as the speaker.

Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald moderated the Friday night Educational Forum. This year's speakers were: Q. David Bowers, Adna Wilde and Miguel L. Munoz. On Saturday, Donna Sims presented the 2nd Junior Educational Forum with help from Sally Marx and Margo Russell. The California Wooden Money Association, the California Exonumist Society, and the American British Numismatic Society also held educational programs.

For the 2nd consecutive year the NASC Member Club Benefit Gold Coin Drawing, with Carol A. Linn acting as chairman, took place.

As has been the custom since the first convention in 1956, the Saturday banquet was the venue not only for good fellowship and good food, but also for the recognition of the accomplishments of the members. However, this year's banquet was a very special one. It featured a massive tribute to Abe



Left: an example of the NASC PNC from the club workshop of 1977.

Below: an example of the NASC convention medals.



Al and Virginia Hall.



Nate Bromberg and Nona Moore.



Dr. Tom Fitzgerald and Bill Wisslead.



From left: James Waldorf, Maurice M. Gould, and Abe Kosoff in 1979.

Kosoff, recognizing his 50 years in numismatics. The Richard P. Goodson Memorial Award presented to the most outstanding numismatist during 1978 was awarded to Raymond R. Reinoehl. The Maurice M. Gould Junior Achievement Award was given to Michelle Lopez, the sister of the previous year's honoree, Theodore Lopez. O. L. Wallis won the Lewis M. Reagan Foundation "Steve Kosoff Best-of-Show" Exhibit award for his display of "Gerald Ford Inaugural Medals." The Karl M. Brainard Memorial Literary Awards were presented to Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald—1st place, Dr. Sol Taylor—2nd place, and J. H. McInnis, Jr.—3rd place. The President's Trophy for the best coin club newsletter was won for the 3rd consecutive year by the San Bernardino County Coin Club, Virginia M. Hall, editor.

The following officers were installed at the banquet: President J.H. McInnis, Jr., President-Elect Nona G. Moore, Vice-President Paul Borack, Treasurer Walter T. Snyder, Corresponding Secretary Carol A. Linn, Recording Secretary Albertus Hoogeveen, and Historian Leonora Donald.

1980—Twenty-Fifth NASC Annual Convention

The 25th NASC Annual Convention, appropriately named "The Silver Jubilee 25th Anniversary Convention,"

was chaired by President J. H. "Mac" McInnis, Jr. It was held at the Ambassador Hotel on January 24-26, 1980. There was a resurgence of interest in numismatics that was evidenced by the more than 3,000 members and guests who registered for the event. Bowers and Ruddy Galleries of Los Angeles conducted the Auction. This show took place during the fanatical time of the Hunt Brothers attempting to control the prices of silver and gold. In fact, at their height, silver was selling for \$52 per ounce and gold for over \$800 per ounce.

The Friday night Educational Forum had to be moved to a larger room to accommodate the more than 300 interested guests reflecting the silver and gold prices. Even with this change, seating was not available to everyone and many were standing along the walls. The first speaker was Jonathan Hefferlin, the "Coin Guru" whose business conducted from his home suddenly grew at an astronomical rate. People were lined up around the block to buy and sell silver and gold. Little did anybody know that the bubble would soon burst and many still own \$1,000 bags of silver. The second speaker was Alan Herbert speaking about over-dates on German coinage.

In keeping with the commemoration of the 25th anniversary of the NASC a special exhibit was displayed called "The 25 Years of the NASC." Sally Marx and James Waldorf produced and installed the exhibit. In her first President's Message after the convention, newly elected Nona G. Moore asked, "How many of us will be able to enjoy the 50-year celebration?"

As had been the custom for 25 consecutive conventions, the awards were presented at the Saturday evening banquet that included the installation of

the new officers.

The Richard P Goodson Memorial Award presented to the most outstanding numismatist during 1979 was awarded to two people, Richard S. Yeoman and Elizabeth L. Wisslead. This was only the second time this honor was shared (the first was in 1971 when Peggy E. Borgolte and Karl M. Brainard were honored.) Richard P. Goodson had been the husband of Elizabeth.

The Maurice M. Gold Junior Achievement Award was presented to 16-year old Julie Bascou. The Karl M. Brainard Memorial Literary Awards were given to Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald—1st place, Dr. Sol Taylor—2nd place, and J. H. McInnis, Jr.—3rd place. Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald also won the Lewis M. Reagan Foundation Steve Kosoff Best-of-Show Exhibit Award for his display with the title “Medals of the Popes.”

The President’s Trophy for the best coin club newsletter was presented to three clubs, all tied for 1st place. The three clubs were: (1) West Valley Coin Club, George Baude, editor; (2) Israel Numismatic Society of San Gabriel Valley, Donna Sims, editor; and (3) Israel Numismatic Society of Los Angeles, Syd Singer, editor.

The following officers were installed at the banquet: President Nona G. Moore, President-Elect Paul H. Bork, Vice-President Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald, Treasurer Richard F. Lebold, Corresponding Secretary Carol A. Linn, Recording Secretary Albertus Hoogeveen, and Historian Leonora Donald.

1981—Twenty-Sixth NASC Annual Convention

President Nona G. Moore presided over the “Tremendous Twenty-Sixth”

NASC Annual Convention held January 29-31, 1981. One hundred and twelve dealers were in the bourse, making it one of the largest in recent years. The auction was conducted by Kagins of Des Moines, Iowa. There was no NASC Member Club Benefit Gold Drawing at this convention.

The Friday evening Educational Forum chaired by Ethel Lenhert featured Byron Johnson and Adna Wilde. Although the NASC had always scheduled a Saturday morning Officers and Club Representatives Breakfast, this breakfast was one of the most remembered events of the long series. The speaker was the legendary Abe Kosoff. He stood at the podium, an imposing figure with his silver hair and natty attire and began, “Hello Suckers!” Everyone in attendance seemed to gasp. He was our best friend, the outstanding supporter of the NASC, and the winner of the association’s top awards. Then he began his talk about the “overgrading” of coins. Remember, this was before anyone had ever heard the term “slab.” He emphasized “seventy percent of the coins submitted to me for grading are, in my opinion, overgraded.” Looking back from today’s numismatic view, one would conclude that he truly was a prophet. The speech was so important it was printed verbatim in the spring, 1981, *Quarterly*.

For the first time, President Moore caused special golden/bronze medals to be struck and presented to everyone attending the banquet. With the theme, “America First,” the obverse of these medals featured crossed flags, the California state flag below and the American flag above.

The Richard P. Goodson Memorial Award presented to the most outstanding numismatist during 1980 was awarded to Past-President Richard F.

Lebold. The Maurice M. Gould Junior Achievement Award was presented to Juan Ray Rodriquez. The Karl Brainard Memorial Literary Awards were won by: Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald—1st place, Dr. Sol Taylor—2nd place, and Gary Beedon—3rd place.

The Lewis M. Reagan Foundation Steve Kosoff Best-of-Show Exhibit Award was won by Dr. A. K. Berry for his display with the title of “Pan Pacific Exposition.” The President’s Trophy given to the best coin club newsletter was presented to the San Bernardino County Coin Club, Virginia M. Hall, editor. It was their fourth award during the last five years.

The following officers were installed at the banquet: President Paul H. Borack, President-Elect Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald, Vice-President Albert K. Hall, Treasurer Richard F. Lebold, Corresponding Secretary Lorna R. Lebold, Recording Secretary Albertus Hoogveen, and Historian Leonora Donald.

1981—Official NASC Medals

President Nona G. Moore caused the first official NASC Medals to be struck for those attending the banquet of the 26th annual convention in 1981. The succeeding two presidents, Paul Borack and Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald, continued this program. All 1982 “Cedar Tree” medals, struck for NASC President Paul Borack, contain a significant error. Instead of “NASC” at the bottom, the letters “NASA” appear. Perhaps the engraver confused the space agency with the NASC. Beginning in 1986 the NASC series of annual convention medals were struck. The first two designs were taken directly from U. S. coins and were proposed by Austin Ryer Jr.

1982—Twenty-Seventh NASC Annual Convention

The “Progressive Twenty-Seventh” NASC Annual Convention, chaired by NASC President Paul H. Borack, was held at the Ambassador Hotel, January 28-30, 1982. Bowers and Rudy Galleries of Los Angeles conducted the auction.

It was reported that more than 2,000 members and guests registered for the convention. For the first time, a Junior Bourse Table, organized and presided over by Nate Bromberg and Corky Ayers, was open only to young numismatists. They had an opportunity to buy coins and books at prices within their budgets. The Junior Forum was chaired by Helen Mae Coombs.

The Educational Forum on Friday evening, moderated by Nate Bromberg, presented Paul R. Witnahl and Charles G. Colver, then Mayor of Covina, California. The NASC Member Club Benefit Gold Drawing was held on Saturday evening.

The awards were presented, as has been the custom, at the Saturday banquet. Many remember NASC President Paul H. Borack, dressed in the Arabic clothes of his native Lebanon, and the appearance of a belly dancer at the dinner. The Richard P. Goodson Memorial Award for the most outstanding numismatist of 1981 was presented to the long-standing NASC Money Museum curator, Ernest W. Hood. The Maurice M. Gould Junior Achievement Award was awarded to Mike Martin. The Karl M. Brainard Memorial Literary Award winners were: Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald—1st place, and Dr. Sol Taylor—2nd place. This was the fifth consecutive year that Dr. Fitzgerald won the 1st place literary award.

The Lewis M. Reagan Foundation Steve Kosoff Best-of-Show Exhibit

Award was won by Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald for his display with the title of "The Indian on U.S. Coinage." The President's Trophy for the best coin club newsletter was awarded to the San Bernardino County Coin Club, Virginia M. Hall, editor.

The following officers were installed at the banquet: President Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald, President-Elect Albert K. Hall, Vice-President Albertus Hoogeveen, Treasurer Richard F. Lebold, Corresponding Secretary Lorna Lebold, Recording Secretary Harold Katzman, and Historian Leonora Donald.

1982—Some Special Events

NASC Cookbook

In 1982, NASC President Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald dedicated the year and convention to the 250th anniversary of the birth of President George Washington. At the June 27, 1982, NASC board meeting, a motion was passed to publish an NASC cookbook called "Hail to the Chef." Five hundred copies were printed and within its 91 pages was a compilation of 298 recipes from members and friends. The book also included some recipes from the George Washington administration. It was noted that while the cookbook is not purely numismatics, numismatists are generally sociable people who love good food almost as much as a good coin. Corresponding Secretary Lorna Lebold was responsible for this publication.

NASC Coin Grading Workshop

The first NASC Coin Grading Workshop, chaired by then Recording Secretary Harold Katzman, was held at the Holiday Inn in West Covina on November 6, 1982. The NASC board decided to substitute this event in place of

the annual Coin Club Workshop. Although 65 collectors expressed an interest in attending, accommodations limited the workshop to 40 participants. Dr. Sol Taylor, as he had done several years earlier at the workshops at Cal Poly, Pomona, conducted the activities.

1. November 6, 1982, Holiday Inn West (Covina), Harold Katzman, chairman.
2. October 29, 1983, Holiday Inn (Orange), Harold Katzman, chairman.
3. September 15-16, 1984, Coin Authentication (Cal Poly Pomona), Harold Katzman, chairman.
4. November 23-24, 1985, Coin Grading (Cal Poly Pomona), Harold Katzman, chairman.
5. October 18-19, 1986, Coin Grading-Authentication (Cal Poly Pomona), Harold Katzman, chairman.
6. November 21-22, 1987, ANACS Grading and Authentication Workshop (Cal Poly Pomona), Harold Katzman, chairman.

Collector-Investor Workshop

April 20, 1985, Sportsman Lodge, (Studio City), David Hall, presenter; Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald, chairman.

1983—Twenty-Eighth NASC Annual Convention

The "Super 28th" NASC Annual Convention with President Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald serving as chairman was held at the Ambassador Hotel, January 27-29, 1983. The entire year, commemorating the 250th anniversary of the birth of President George Washington, carried the theme "Washington in Numismatics." Fitzgerald dubbed the convention, the "Super Convention"

because the Sunday immediately following the show was the annual Super Bowl championship game of the National Football League.

Kagins, from Des Moines, Iowa, conducted the auction. The annual Friday evening Educational Forum, moderated by Bryan Burke, carried out the "Washington" theme of the show. Covering various aspects of George Washington, Dr. George Fuld's talk was titled "George Washington in Numismatics." Dr. William Coleman spoke about "What Documents Say About George Washington." A very special educational forum on Saturday afternoon featured the owner of the ice hockey Los Angeles Kings; the world champion basketball team, the Los Angeles Lakers; and the Inglewood Forum, Dr. Jerry Buss, sharing his coin collecting adventures with a very interested, standing-room only crowd.

The usual activities were conducted during the convention including the special Junior Bourse Table coordinated by Nate Bromberg and Steve Davis. The Junior Forum moderated by Robert Marshall and featuring ANA Governor Florence Schook, had 43 young numismatists in attendance. The convention included the post office with the NASC cancellation and the NASC Member Club Benefit gold drawing under its founder, Past-President Raymond Reinoehl.

In order to stimulate the sale of gold drawing tickets, Harold Katzman, president of the Fontana United Numismatists, challenged Corky Ayers, President of the Downey Numismatists, to a contest of which club would sell the most tickets. The final score – Downey 816 books – Fontana 737. As a result, Harold Katzman got a pie in his face at the Fontana meeting in April.

The annual Saturday evening

NASC banquet began with "Hear Ye, Hear Ye, Hear Ye" from Private Jessie Lukens (played by Warren Bunge), who was dressed in the uniform of a Continental soldier spending the icy, cold winter at Valley Forge. Nona Moore was dressed in an authentic dress of Dolly Madison and Lorna Lebold appeared as Martha Washington. Banquet Chairman Elizabeth Wisslead had the lights dimmed when cherry pie was served, and everyone joined in singing "Happy Birthday" to George Washington. All guests received an NASC medal with the bust of George Washington on the obverse.

This was a night for awards. The Richard P. Goodson Memorial Award presented to the most outstanding numismatist during 1982 was presented to Past-President Paul H. Borack. The Maurice M. Gould Junior Achievement Award was won by Brian Kotoff. The Karl M. Brainard Literary Awards were given to Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald—1st place, Virginia M. Hall—2nd place, and Richard Basler—3rd place. This was the sixth consecutive year Dr. Fitzgerald won the Karl M. Brainard 1st place literary award. New editor Gary Beedon announced two additional literary awards. For the first time, the George Bennett Memorial Literary Award for the best article on ancient coins, was presented to Richard Basler. Another first-time literary award, the Nona Moore Young Numismatist Literary Award, was won by Brian Kotoff.

The Lewis M. Reagan Foundation Steve Kosoff Best-of-Show Exhibit Award was presented to Kay Edgerton Lenker for her exhibit with the title of "Leopold I of Austria." The Gordon Z. Greene Memorial Junior Best-of-Show exhibit award was won by Dwight Manley for his display entitled: "Tracing an Illustrious Pedigree." (You

may have heard of him elsewhere in the news recently.) The President's Trophy for the best coin club newsletter went to the Downey Coin Club, Steve Davis, editor.

The following officers were installed at the banquet: President Albert K. Hall, President-Elect Albertus Hoogeveen, Vice-President Phyllis Duncan, Treasurer Richard F. Lebold, ; Corresponding Secretary Lorna R. Lebold, Recording Secretary Harold Katzman, and Historian Leonora Donald.

1983 – Other Important Changes for the NASC

At the March 20, 1983, NASC board meeting, Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald was asked to chair a committee to recommend possible constitutional and by-law changes concerning the elected officer positions and the election procedures of the association. The committee, including Lorna Lebold, Paul Borack, Harold Donald and Albertus Hoogeveen, made its recommendations at the March 4, 1984, NASC board meeting. The committee recommended all elected officers and board members should serve two-year terms.

As a result, the winter, 1984, issue of *The Quarterly* announced that henceforth all elected officers would be installed for two-year terms in place of the one-year term that had been in place since 1955. In addition, the position of president-elect (first established in 1961) was eliminated. It was expected that henceforth, the vice-president would be a candidate for the office of president. The committee also recommended that all elections be by mail ballot. These recommendations were voted favorably and the by-laws were amended.

The first election by mail ballot would take place in 1985 with the in-

stallation of the elected officers taking place at the Saturday evening banquet on a biannual basis.

1984—Twenty-Ninth NASC Annual Convention

"A Numismatic Salute to the Olympics," was the theme of the 29th NASC Annual Convention held at the Ambassador Hotel, January 26-28, 1984. President Albert K. Hall, who served as chairman, had chosen this theme because the Summer Olympic Games were to take place in 1984 in Los Angeles.

The auction was conducted by Bowers and Merena Galleries from Wolfeboro, New Hampshire. A special educational forum, relating to the "Olympic Theme" of the convention and moderated by Bryan Burke, featured a film with the title: "The Olympic Cavalcade, Greatest Spectacle in Sports" and Vincent F. Beretta, who spoke on the 1932 Los Angeles Olympic games. The Junior Forum, moderated by Robert Marshall, included a film on the Olympics as well as talks by Brian Kotoff and Mike Carlin, two award-winning young numismatists. The NASC Member Club Gold Benefit Drawing was held on Saturday afternoon.

The lights were dimmed; the music was "Chariots of Fire" all of which heralded the Olympic torch. Paul Borack, dressed as an athlete and wearing an Olympic tee-shirt, bore the torch. Once again, it was time to honor those who made significant contributions to the hobby and the NASC. The Richard P. Goodson Memorial Award presented to the most outstanding numismatist during 1983 was given to Lorna R. Lebold. The Maurice M. Gould Junior Achievement Award winner was Dwight Manley. The Karl M. Brainard

Memorial Literary Awards were won by Albert K. Hall—1st place, Dr. Walter Ostromecki, Jr.—2nd place, and Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald—3rd place. The Nona G. Moore Junior Literary Award was won by Michael Carlin.

The Lewis E. Reagan Foundation Steve Kosoff Best-of-Show Exhibit Award was presented to Leonora Donald for her display, “A Jerusalem Medal.”

The Gordon Z. Greene Memorial Junior Best-of-Show Exhibit Award was won by Dwight Manley. The President’s Award for the best coin club newsletter was presented to the Santa Barbara Coin Club.

The following officers for 1984 were installed at the banquet: President Albertus Hooegeveen, President-Elect Phyllis Duncan, Vice-President James J. Waldorf, Treasurer Austin Ryer, Jr., Corresponding Secretary Lorna R. Lebold, Recording Secretary Harold Katzman, and Historian Leonora Donald.

1984—A Search for a New Hotel

A committee composed of Richard H. Lebold as chairman, Paul Borack, Harold Donald, Nona G. Moore and Austin Ryer, Jr., as members, had been charged with searching for a new location for the NASC annual conventions. The Los Angeles Ambassador Hotel was no longer adequate for the NASC meetings. After looking at numerous locations, the committee selected the Hyatt Hotel at the Los Angeles Airport on the corner of Sepulveda and Century Boulevards.

1985—Thirtieth NASC Annual Convention

The theme selected by President Albertus Hooegeveen for the 1985 NASC Convention was: “A Numis-

matic Salute to the Netherlands—Two Centuries of Friendship.” The show, under the chairmanship of President Hooegeveen, was held at the Airport Hyatt Hotel, January 24-26, 1985. Bowers and Merena Galleries from Wolfeboro, New Hampshire, conducted the auction.

The Friday evening educational forum, moderated by Bryan Burke, featured Randy Briggs and Dr. Jan de Young, a mintmaster from the Utrecht Mint. A special Saturday forum featured the “Walter Breen Hour.” During this forum, Mr. Breen would attempt to answer any and all questions regarding numismatics. The Junior Forum, under the direction of Robert Marshall, presented Eric Millman as the speaker. The Junior Table was available to all young numismatists and the NASC Member Club Benefit Gold Drawing took place Saturday evening.

The banquet, in keeping with the Netherlands theme, included posters from the Netherlands. Twenty-six costumed members of “The Voice of Holland” sang several Dutch songs. The presentations of awards followed dinner. The Richard P. Goodson Memorial Award presented to the most outstanding numismatist during 1984 was won by Nona G. Moore. The Maurice M. Gould Junior Achievement Award was presented to 10-year old Michael Reiter. The Karl M. Brainard Memorial Literary Awards were won by Virginia M. Hall—1st place, Dr. Walter Ostromecki, Jr.—2nd place, and Raymond E. Reinoehl—3rd place. The Nona G. Moore Junior Literary Award was bestowed on Brian Kotoff. The “Abe Kosoff-Steve Kosoff Best-of-Show” exhibit award was presented to Gary Beedon for his display of the “Medal for the Mayoralty of the City of London.” Michael Reiter won the Gordon

Z. Greene Memorial Junior Best-of-Show Exhibit Award with a display entitled "U.S. Olympic Coins." The President's Trophy for the best coin club newsletter was presented to the West Valley Coin Club, Dr. Walter Ostromecki, Jr., editor.

A special event at this banquet was a tribute to *Coin World* Editor Margo Russell on the eve of her retirement. The following officers were installed at the banquet: President Phyllis Duncan Ellis, Vice-President Lorna Lebold, Treasurer Austin Ryer, Jr., Corresponding Secretary Richard Lebold, Recording Secretary Harold Katzman, and Historian Leonora Donald.

1985—The Money Museum Collection is Auctioned

At the March 31, 1985 NASC Board Meeting, a committee, chaired by Curator Dr. Fitzgerald with members Austin Ryer, Jr. and Nona G. Moore, was appointed to dispose of the collection. Bowers and Merena Galleries was chosen to sell the most valuable items while Cunningham Auctions agreed to sell the tokens.

The summer, 1985, issue of *The Quarterly* contained a list of lesser valuable coins and medals that were to be sold following the NASC board meeting on September 29, 1985. The association chose to retain only one piece from its museum collection, a large Yap stone. It was exhibited at the Golden State Coin Shows in 2003 and 2004.

1986—Thirty-First NASC Annual Convention

For the first time in the history of the NASC, the president died during their term. Phyllis Duncan Ellis had been installed as president on January 26, 1985, and died six weeks later on

March 5 of that year. The vice-president, Lorna R. Lebold, succeeded her. Mrs. Lebold appointed Paul Bo-rack as the new vice-president.

The theme of the 31st annual convention, "Salute to Liberty," was selected by deceased president, Phyllis Duncan. Held at the Airport Hyatt Hotel, January 23-25, 1986, President Lorna Lebold chaired the event. Bowers and Merena Galleries of Wolfeboro, New Hampshire, conducted the auction.

In keeping with the theme, the first of a long series of annual NASC medals were struck in silver, golden bronze and burnished bronze with the flowing Liberty-head design seen on early U. S. coins. All writers for the *NASC Quarterly* received special NASC Liberty-head copper medals.

Charles G. Colver served as moderator of the Friday evening Educational Forum presenting Q. David Bowers and Marshall Lester. A special educational session on Saturday was a talk from the director of the U.S. Mint, Donna Pope. The Junior Forum presented Eric Millman and Albertus Hoogveen.

In August, 1986, the American Numismatic Association awarded their Best Regional Publication Award to the *NASC Quarterly*. Gary Beedon was the editor.

As has been the custom since the very first NASC convention in 1956,



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the awards were presented at the Saturday evening banquet. The Richard P. Goodson Memorial Award presented to the most outstanding numismatist during 1985 was awarded to Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald. Greg Frazier won the Maurice M. Gould Junior Achievement Award. The Karl M. Brainard Memorial Literary Awards were won by Dr. Walter Ostromecki, Jr.—1st place, Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald—2nd place, and John Larson—3rd place. The George Bennett Memorial Literary Award for the best article on ancient coinage was presented to Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald. The Abe Kosoff-Steve Kosoff Best-of-Show Exhibit Award was presented to Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald for his display entitled: “Five Centuries of Papal Sede Vacante Coins.” The Gordon Z. Greene Award for the best young numismatist’s exhibit was awarded to Elizabeth Messick with her “Golden Tribute Exhibit.” The West Valley Coin Club, Dr. Walter Ostromecki, Jr., editor, won the President’s Trophy for the best coin club newsletter for the 2nd consecutive year.

The following officers were installed (for two-year terms) at the Banquet: President Lorna R. Lebold, Vice-President G. “Corky” Ayers, Treasurer Austin Ryer Jr., Corresponding Secretary Richard F. Lebold, Recording Secretary Harold Katzman, and Historian Leonora Donald.

1987—Thirty-Second NASC Annual Convention

Chairing her second consecutive NASC annual convention, President Lorna R. Lebold chose “Women in Numismatics” as her theme. The event took place at the Airport Hyatt Hotel, February 5-7, 1987. Bowers and Merena Galleries of Wolfboro, New Hampshire, had signed a long-term

contract and again conducted the auction.

For the first time since it had been established, Nate Bromberg did not supervise the Young Numismatist Table because of his declining health. The Friday evening Educational Forum, in keeping with the theme, was presented by women. Kay Lenker was the moderator and the speaker was ANA President Florence Schook. A special educational program on Saturday afternoon featured Richard Yeoman talking about the “California Gold Rush.” The Junior Educational Forum presented Eric Millman who gave a talk about “World Soccer Coins.” The medal for this convention, honoring women in numismatics, was a replica of the U.S. Queen Isabella commemorative quarter-dollar. Austin Ryer, Jr. and Gary Beedon were responsible for the production of the medal. As has been the custom, the NASC Member Club Benefit Gold Drawing took place on Saturday evening prior to the banquet.

For the first time in the history of the NASC, no officers were installed at the Saturday evening banquet. This was the result of the new two-year terms of all elected offices. However, many special awards and recognitions were the highlight of the festivities. The highest honor that the NASC can bestow is the Richard P. Goodson Memorial Award for numismatics. In 1986 this award went to a husband and wife team, Harold and Leonora Donald. The Maurice M. Gould Junior Achievement Award was presented to Kim Curlett. The Karl M. Brainard Memorial Literary Awards were won by Eric Millman—1st place, Marin Ostromecki—2nd place, and Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald—3rd place. The Abe Kosoff-Steve Kosoff Best-of-Show Exhibit Award was won by Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald for his display

with the title of "The Portrait of George Washington on Currency." The Gordon Z. Greene Memorial Junior Best-of-Show Award was presented to Kim Curlett for her display of sunken treasure. The President's Award for the best coin club newsletter was won by the San Bernardino County Coin Club, Virginia M. Hall, editor.

1988—Thirty-Third NASC Annual Convention

For the third consecutive convention President Lorna R. Lebold was chairman, a new and still-standing record of three consecutive conventions. The 33rd Convention, January 28-30, 1988, was again held at the Airport Hyatt Hotel in Los Angeles. The theme of this year's show was "Youth in Numismatics." Bowers and Merena Galleries again conducted the auction. The annual NASC convention medal depicted the heads of a young boy and girl numismatist on the obverse and, of course, the NASC logo on the reverse. The convention's Educational Forum, now scheduled for Saturday afternoon, was moderated by Kay Lenker and featured Q. David Bowers as the speaker. The Junior Forum, moderated by Eric Millman, presented a talk by Albertus Hoogeveen on Boy Scout and Girl Scout Coin Collecting Merit Badges.

Because her two-year term had ended, the Saturday evening banquet not only featured the various awards recognizing achievements of the NASC, but also the installation of officers. The Richard P. Goodson Memorial Award recognizing the greatest numismatic achievements during 1987 was presented to Al and Virginia Hall. Seven-year old Justin Troxel won the Maurice M. Gould Junior Achievement Award. The Karl M. Brainard Memorial Literary Awards were given to Vir-

ginia Hall—1st place, Dr. Walter Ostromecki, Jr.—2nd place, and Austin Ryer, Jr.—3rd place. A special award was presented to Nate Bromberg in recognition of his many years of service to young numismatists. The Abe Kosoff-Steve Kosoff Best-of-Show Exhibit Award was presented to Austin Ryer Jr. for his display "Eight Coins from Seven Mints." The Gordon Z. Greene Memorial Junior Best-of-Show Exhibit Award was won by Michael Reiter for his display with the title, "Official Souvenir Bronze Medal of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition." The Presidents Trophy for the best coin club newsletter was won by the Whittier Coin Club, Esther Bromberg, editor.

The following officers were installed at the banquet: President G. "Corky" Ayers, Vice-President Charles G. Colver, Treasurer Albertus Hoogeveen, Corresponding Secretary Richard Lebold, Recording Secretary Harold Katzman, and Historian Leonora Donald.

In 1988 Dr. Walter Ostromecki, Jr. became editor of *The Quarterly*,

1989—Thirty-Fourth NASC Annual Convention

The 34th NASC Annual Convention, January 26-28, 1989, was the last convention that took place at the Airport Hyatt Hotel in Los Angeles. But this convention was far different than any of the previous 33 conventions.

President G. "Corky" Ayers, who was due to serve as the general chairman of the show, wrote in his President's Message prior to the convention, "See you at the Convention." However, this was not to be. "Corky" Ayers was very ill and was unable to attend the convention. His wife, Awanda, remained at home to care for her husband. Vice-President Charles G. Colver

served as chairman of the convention. As things turned out, this was also the last of the solo NASC annual conventions. Future events would be as partners of the “Golden State Coin Show.”

President Ayers had chosen the theme “New Horizons” with a special salute to the American Indian. Phil Iversen made the artwork for the NASC medal to commemorate the American Indian. He had adapted the popular Bela Lyon Pratt’s Indian motif from the \$5 gold half-eagle (1908-1929).

Bowers and Merena Galleries again conducted the auction. Filling in for President Ayers was Vice-President Charles G. Colver. The traditional NASC Member Club Gold Benefit Drawing was held on Saturday afternoon prior to the closing banquet.

The awards banquet on Saturday evening was full of surprises. Banquet Chairman Ethel Lenhart chose the decorations to reflect the Indian theme of the convention. Every guest found an Indian headband, complete with feathers, at his or her seat. Many of the guests wore these headbands as they enjoyed the festivities. The Richard P. Goodson Memorial Award, given to the outstanding numismatist during 1988, was presented to a very surprised Kay Northam. The Maurice M. Gould Junior Achievement Award was won by Damion Kelly. The Karl M. Brainard Memorial Literary Awards were won by Martha Stevenson—1st place, “Corky” Ayers—2nd place, and Ronald Muzzy—3rd place. The Abe Kosoff-Steve Kosoff Best-of-Show Exhibit Award was presented to Levin Messick for his display of “Mafeking Siege Notes.” The President’s Trophy for the best coin club newsletter was awarded to the Covina Coin Club, Awanda Ayers, editor. There was no installation of officers due to the two-year terms.

The Golden State Coin Show

By 1985 it became apparent that once again the NASC must find a new home for their annual conventions. The management at the Airport Hyatt Hotel had substantially increased the cost of the convention. A free meeting room and coffee for the NASC board meetings had been eliminated. In fact, no refreshments were possible in the area of these meetings. Several different committees were appointed to look at possible convention locations to include the San Fernando Valley and Orange County, but no suitable locations that included the traditional January or February dates were reported.

For a number of years the NASC sent representatives to the Numismatic Coordinating Council. This council was the idea of Nate Bromberg and included the CSNA, COIN, NASC, SIN, and the Long Beach Coin and Stamp Exposition, represented by show-owner Sam Lopresto. The purpose of the council was to work together as much as possible, including the storage and use of cases for conventions, coordinating dates, contracts with security firms etc. During one of these meetings, it was suggested that the four organizations join together and produce one large show.

All three existing Southern California shows, CSNA, COIN and NASC, had lost money. SIN had dropped future shows. In addition, a survey of the personnel who were managing and providing help to produce these events, revealed the same names. In fact, most active leaders were supporters of all four organizations.

President Ayers invited the presidents of the CSNA, COIN and SIN to meet at his house to work out a proposal to produce a joint show. Present at these meetings were: Dorothy Baber



Charles Colver



J.H. McInnis



Albertus Hoogveen, G. "Corky" Ayers, and Awanda Ayers

(CSNA), Bob Hochman (SIN), Phil Iversen (COIN) Corky Ayers and Charles Colver (NASC) and two additional guests, Kay Lenker and Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald. The first meeting was held in July and the second meeting took place in August.

The second meeting convinced the participants there was great merit in the idea of a jointly sponsored show. It was believed such a joint venture would result in a larger bourse; combined publicity that would appear in the publications of the four organizations; shared manpower since there would only be one show; greater attendance, reflecting the support of all four groups; shared facility rental; and at least two auctions.

At the September 11, 1988, NASC board meeting, President G. "Corky" Ayers reported (referring to the efforts to find a new hotel or convention center), "We started three or four years ago. Suddenly it has been dumped in my lap." At the September NASC board meeting, President Ayers informed the board that a joint meeting of all four organizations would be held on December 12, 1988, immediately following the NASC Board Meeting at the Airport Hyatt Hotel.

December 12, 1988 Joint Meeting of the Four Organizations

Minutes were taken of this joint meeting on December 12, 1988 and are among the NASC official board meeting minutes. The presidents of the four organizations asked Dr. Fitzgerald to chair the meeting and present the proposal for a coin show that would be sponsored by all four numismatic organizations.

This meeting was called together at 3:30 PM on December 12th with 51 persons representing all four organizations present. It was noted that this was truly a historic event. Presidents Dorothy Baber (CSNA), G. "Corky" Ayers (NASC), Phil Parks (COIN) and Vice-President Phil Iversen (SIN) all spoke in favor of the proposal.

The plan included a committee eight members, two representatives from each of the four groups, to produce and manage the new show. This "Committee of Eight" must have the power to make decisions regarding the show. It was decided that the first show would be in 1990. Each organization was required to provide "seed" money of \$2,500. Each group also agreed that this would be their only southern California convention or show, and that there would no longer be individual

events.

The forum was now open to questions from those in attendance. All questions were directed at and answered by the chair, Dr. Fitzgerald. Following the question and answer period, each of the four presidents was asked to call for a vote from their governing boards. Dorothy Baber (CSNA president) reported all seven board members were in favor. Phil Parks (COIN president) announced the vote was overwhelming in favor. Corky Ayers (NASC president) reported 24 voted yes, 1 voted no. Phil Iversen (SIN vice-president) announced 7 voted yes, 1 voted no, and 1 abstained.

The Committee of Eight was immediately chosen: CSNA – Dorothy Baber and Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald; COIN – Phil Parks and Kay Lenker; NASC – Charles G. Colver and Harold Katzman; and SIN – Phil Iversen and Beate Rauch. The meeting concluded with Dr. Fitzgerald being named chairman of the Committee of Eight.

1989—The First Meeting of the Committee of Eight

Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald was again elected chairman of the Committee of Eight at its January 27, 1989 meeting and he would serve as general chairman. Hans Rauch was chosen by the committee to be the treasurer. The committee next chose the name of the new show, “The Golden State Coin Show.” A sub-committee of Kay Lenker, Charles G. Colver, and Phil Parks was appointed to find the location for the Golden State Coin Show. This committee recommended the Pasadena Convention Center, which was selected as the site for the Golden State Coin Show. Each member of the Committee of Eight was assigned a responsibility for the production of this event. Other

members from the four organizations would be asked to help.

1990—First Golden State Coin Show

Thirty-Fifth NASC Annual Convention

Sadly, President G. “Corky” Ayers died on May 14, 1989, during his second year as president.

The first Golden State Coin Show, with NASC Past-President Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald serving as chairman, was held at the Pasadena Convention Center, January 26-28, 1990. In addition to the Committee of Eight (Dorothy Baber, Dr. Tom Fitzgerald, Phil Parks, Kay Lenker, Phil Iversen and Beate Rauch), the chairman appointed Angus Bruce (Asst. Security), Al and Virginia Hall (Exhibits), Kay Northam (Registration), Ethel Lenhert (Banquet), Hans Rauch (Treasurer), and James Waldorf (Legal Advisor).

In his President’s Message, NASC President Colver wrote: “E Pluribus Unum” (from many, one), seeking a spirit of cooperation among the four groups. This was illustrated by the adoption of each group’s annual medal. The obverses of the medal of all four organizations’ official medals carried the logo or seal of the Golden State Coin Show in over-lapping rings. The reverses of the medals bore the traditional logo or seal of each organization. For example, the reverse of the NASC medal carried the same seal reverse seen on all NASC medals.

Each group would continue their usual convention activities including the NASC Member Club Gold Benefit Drawing, the NASC club representative’s meeting and breakfast, and a table near registration to promote the NASC, sign up new members, and sell their medals. The official program car-

ried information about each of the four sponsoring clubs and their addresses should one wish to contact them.

Two major auctions were held during the show. Bowers and Merena Galleries again presented a major auction, and Ponterio & Associates, long associated with the COIN Conventions, conducted a foreign coin auction.

The Friday evening Educational Forum, now called the "Golden State Educational Forum," was moderated by Dr. Walter Ostromecki, Jr. The speakers were William Spengler and Martha Stevenson. A number of clubs held joint meetings and educational forums during the show. These included the California Exonumist Society, the International Primitive Money Society, the Ancient Coin Club of Los Angeles, the Society of Ancient Numismatics and the Southern California Ancient Numismatic Society. The Glendale Coin Club, the San Gabriel Valley Coin Club and the Verdugo Hills Coin Club held a joint meeting. The Saturday evening banquet became the "Golden State Banquet" and was sponsored by the four clubs. Ethel Lenhart was in charge of the festivities. The newly named Gilvin Ayers Memorial Best-of-Show Exhibit Award was presented to Levin Messick for his display with the title of "Examples of Victory Notes." The winner of the Gordon Z. Greene Memorial Junior Best-of-Show Exhibit Award went to Arri Jacob. The Richard P. Goodson Memorial Award for the most outstanding NASC numismatist during 1989 was presented to Ethel Lenhart.

Other NASC awards were presented at the NASC Breakfast and Business Meeting. The Maurice M. Gould Junior Achievement Award was presented to James Jackson. The Karl M. Brainard Memorial Literary Awards

were won by Martha Stevenson—1st place, James Warmus—2nd place, and Dillon Frost—3rd place. The George Bennett Memorial Literary Award for the best article on ancient coinage was presented to Larry Reppeteau. The Nona G. Moore Junior Literary Award was awarded to Damion Williams and James Jackson. The Israel Numismatic Society of Los Angeles, Murray Singer, editor, won the President's Trophy for the best coin club newsletter.

The following officers were installed at this breakfast: President Charles G. Colver, Vice-President Dr. Walter Ostromecki, Jr., Treasurer Albertus Hoogeveen, Corresponding Secretary Lynda Richard, Recording Secretary Kay Lenker, Historian Leonora Donald, and Historian-Emeritus Thelma M. Case.

On February 18, 1990, the Golden State Committee met to review the first show and report to the sponsoring organizations. It was estimated that each of the four coin clubs would receive \$2,500 profit from the show. The four sponsoring organizations unanimously recommended that a second show be scheduled at the Pasadena Convention Center in January 1991.

1991—Second Golden State Coin Show

Thirty-Sixth NASC Annual Convention

The 2nd Golden State Coin Show, like the first, was held at the Pasadena Convention Center, January 25-27, 1991. Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald again served as General Chairman. The NASC produced a special medal for this 36th Convention and second Golden State event. The medal was designed to show unity with the other three organizations. Kay Lenker suggested the Fugio cent and Al Hall com-



1993, from left: Al Baber, Harold and Leonora Donald, and Dorothy Baber.

pleted the art work. The obverse, adapted from the reverse of the Fugio cent, bore thirteen linked rings, and in the center the motto “We Are One.”

Once again, there were two auctions, one conducted by Bowers and Merana Galleries and one by Ponterio & Associates. The new editor of the *Quarterly* was Jeff Oxman. David Lange from San Francisco was the speaker at the Golden State Educational Forum on Friday evening. The traditional NASC Member Club Gold Benefit Drawing was held on Sunday. At the Golden State Banquet on Saturday evening, the Richard P. Goodson Memorial Award for the most outstanding numismatist during 1990 was presented to Dr. Sol Taylor. Bill Grant won the Best-of-Show Exhibit Award, sponsored by COIN, for his display with the title “A Salute to Charles A. Lindberg.”

At the NASC Award Breakfast on Sunday morning, the “Corky” Ayers Junior Achievement Award was presented to Andrew Portnoy. The Karl M. Brainard Memorial Literary Awards were presented to Dr. Sol Taylor—1st place, Virginia M. Hall—2nd place, and Martha Stevenson—3rd place. Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald won the George Bennett Memorial Literary Award for the best article on an ancient or Byzantine coin subject. The President’s Trophy for the best coin club newsletter was presented to the Upland Coin Club, Ethel Lenhert, editor.

1992—Third Golden State Coin Show

Thirty-Seventh NASC Annual Convention

The 3rd Golden State Coin Show took place on January 31-February 2, 1992, at the Pasadena Convention Center. Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald served as general chairman for the third consecutive year. For the first time in the history of the NASC, there were no auctions at this convention. The theme of this show was the “Quincentennial of the Discovery of America – 1492-1992.” The attendance was reported at over 1,200 guests. In keeping with this theme, Al Hall was the speaker at the Golden State Educational Forum with a talk about Christopher Columbus. The United States Mint was also celebrating its bicentennial in 1992 and the NASC medal, designed by Al Hall, depicted the first U.S. mint at Philadelphia on its obverse. The NASC held its annual NASC Member Club Gold Benefit Drawing on Sunday afternoon. At the Golden State Banquet on Saturday evening, William J. Grant won the Best-of-Show Exhibit Award for his display “A Salute to Apollo XI.” The NASC presented its highest award, the Richard P. Goodson Memorial Award for the most outstanding numismatist during 1991 to Jerry Yahalom.

At the NASC Awards Breakfast on Sunday morning, the Maurice M. Gould Junior Achievement Award was

presented to Zeve Akerling. The Carl M. Brainard Literary Awards were presented to: Murray Singer—1st place, Dr. Sol Taylor—2nd place, and Dr. Walter Ostromecki, Jr.—3rd place. The President's Trophy for the best coin club newsletter was awarded to the Santa Barbara Coin Club.

The following officers for 1992-93 were installed at the NASC Breakfast: President Dr. Walter Ostromecki Jr., Vice-President William J. Grant, Treasurer Albertus Hooegeven, Corresponding Secretary Lynda Richard, Recording Secretary Kay Lenker, and Historian Leonora Donald.

1993—Fourth Golden State Coin Show

Thirty-Eighth NASC Annual Convention

The National Football League's championship game, the "Super Bowl," was played in Pasadena in 1993. Due to these events the city of Pasadena refused to rent the Pasadena Convention Center for the Golden State Coin Show that had been held in January for the past three years. Instead, the 4th Golden State Coin Show moved to the Airport Marina Hotel near Los Angeles Airport on May 28-29, 1993. The length of the show was reduced from three days to two days in an effort to live within the budget and make a profit for the four participating sponsors.

For the fourth consecutive year, Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald served as general chairman. Participation by the United States mint from San Francisco was a special feature. The attendance was reported at over 850 guests. The 1993 NASC medal for this convention featured the White House, 1792-1992, on the obverse. The NASC Member Club Gold Benefit Drawing took place on Saturday afternoon.

This convention presented some very interesting and informative educational forums. The Friday afternoon CSNA Luncheon featured Olga Widness, the curator of the Old San Francisco Mint Museum. The speaker at the combined SIN and COIN meeting on Saturday was Alex Shagin, former mint engraver from the Leningrad Mint. Dr. Lawrence Adams, well-known expert of medieval coinage, was the speaker at the combined meeting of the Southern California Society for Ancient Numismatics and the Society of Ancient Numismatics. Olga Widness spoke again on another topic at the California Exnumist Society meeting.

The exhibit awards and the Richard P. Goodson Memorial Award were presented at the closing banquet on Saturday evening. The NASC's Goodson Award, presented to the most outstanding numismatist during 1992, was awarded to Harold Katzman. The Best-of-Show Exhibit Award was won by Ethel Lenhart for her display with the title of: "Honoring the 250th Anniversary of Jefferson's Birth."

The NASC board of governors decided to eliminate their awards breakfast that had been a part of the Golden State Coin Show for the past three years. Instead, an NASC Awards Recognition Dinner was scheduled for January 30, 1994 at George Petrelli's Steak House in Culver City. This dinner would include the NASC annual awards and the installation of officers for 1994-95.

The Richard P. Goodson Memorial Award, NASC's highest honor for the most outstanding numismatist during 1993, was presented to Awanda Ayers. The Maurice M. Gould Junior Achievement Award was won by Jason Albanese. The Association's newest award, The NASC Member of the Year

Award, went to Michael Aron.

The Karl M. Brainard Memorial Literary Awards were presented to: John Devine—1st place, Dr. Sol Taylor—2nd place, and Dr. Walter Ostromecki, Jr.—3rd place. The President's Trophy for the best coin club newsletter was given to the Los Angeles Coin Club, Ed Casaus, editor.

The following officers were installed at the Awards Dinner: President Bill Grant, Vice-President Jerry Yahalom, Treasurer Albertus Hooegeveen, Corresponding Secretary Harold Katzman, Recording Secretary Kay Lenker, and Historian Leonora Donald.

1994—Fifth Golden State Coin Show

Thirty-Ninth NASC Annual Convention

The 5th Golden State Coin Show took place at the Airport Marina Hotel, September 30-October 1, 1994. Phil Iversen served as general chairman.

The NASC was celebrating its 40th anniversary during this year. The covers of The 1994 Quarterly displayed "40th Anniversary." Editor Pro-Tem Dr. Walter Ostromecki, Jr. wrote the history of the organization in four installments. The NASC Medal for this convention, honoring President Grant's theme: "Recalling History through Numismatics," depicted the three astronauts aboard Apollo XI and the 25th anniversary of "man's first lunar landing on the moon."

A number of important educational meetings took place during the show. Dennis Allen, a southern California geologist, spoke at the CSNA luncheon. James Betton gave a lecture titled: "1894 Mid-Winter Exposition – Centennial." ANA Governor Helen Carmody reported on "The ANA and the World Mints Project." Lynda Richard

gave a special program for Young Numismatists. The NASC Member Club Benefit Gold Drawing took place on Saturday afternoon.

At the banquet, Ethel Lenhert was presented the Best-of-Show Exhibit Award for her display of medals depicting the "Parables of Jesus."

Coin Club Workshops in Conjunction With The Long Beach Coin and Stamp Exposition

The American Numismatic Association, the Long Beach Coin & Collectibles Exposition and the NASC joined together to present the Coin Club Planning Seminar Workshop during the Long Beach event on February 5, 1995. A second workshop was scheduled during the Long Beach Exposition on February 3, 1996 with Bill Fivaz presenting the program. A third club improvement workshop, in conjunction with the Long Beach Coins & Collectibles Exposition, was held on February 12, 1997, with Anthony Swiatek presenting the program. The fourth club improvement workshop took place on February 14, 1998; Timothy Kochuba and Scott Travers conducted the program.

The NASC scheduled its awards banquet at Dominick's in Long Beach on February 5, 1995. The following awards were presented at the dinner. The Richard P. Goodson Memorial Award, presented to the most outstanding numismatist during 1994, was awarded to NASC past-president and *Quarterly* editor, Dr. Walter Ostromecki, Jr. The Maurice M. Gould Junior Achievement Award was won by Nathaniel Unrath. The Karl M. Brainard Memorial Literary Awards were presented to: Murray G. Singer—1st place, Dr. Walter Ostromecki, Jr.—2nd place, and Robert McCarthy and

Martha Stevenson tied for 3rd place. The Nona G. Moore Junior Literary Award was awarded to Zeve Akerling. The San Bernardino County Coin Club, Robert McCarthy, editor, won the President's Trophy for the best coin club newsletter. At this dinner, the NASC was presented a presidential award from ANA President David Ganz.

1995—Sixth Golden State Coin Show

Fortieth NASC Annual Convention

The 6th Golden State Coin Show, September 22-23, 1995, was held at the Pickwick Recreation Center in Burbank California. Phil Iversen was the General Chairman. NASC President Bill Grant's medal reflected his theme of "History Through Numismatics," and was a salute to "National Transportation History – Land, Sea and Air." It showed a train, ship and airplane. Gary Beedon again became the editor of *The Quarterly* with the fall, 1995, issue.

Ethel Lenhart presented a special talk on the California missions accompanied by slides and her collection of medals. The NASC Member Club Gold Benefit Drawing was held on Saturday afternoon prior to the banquet.

The Best-of-Show Exhibit Award winner, presented at the banquet, was Kay Lenker for her gold exhibit.

The NASC Awards and Installation Dinner was held at the George Petrelli's Steak House in Culver City on January 27, 1996. The Richard P. Goodson Memorial Award, presented to the most deserving numismatist for services during 1995, was awarded to Sally Marx. The Maurice M. Gould Junior Achievement Award was won by Erin Zarichny. A new NASC recognition, sponsored by Murray Singer,

was the Speaker-of-the-Year Award. This recognition was to honor the many speakers who give of their time, at no cost to the clubs, to present programs at their meetings. The first winner of this award was William O. Wisslead. Another recent NASC award, the Member-of-the-Year award was presented to Paul Kopenhaver. The Karl M. Brainard Memorial Literary Awards were won by Virginia Hall—1st place, Murray Singer—2nd place, and Michael Turrini and Dr. Sol Taylor tied for 3rd place.

The following officers were installed at the awards dinner for 2-year terms, 1996 and 1997: President Jerry Yahalom, Vice-President G. Lee Kuntz, Treasurer Kay Lenker, Corresponding Secretary Harold Katzman, Recording Secretary May Yahalom, and Historian Leonora Donald.

1996—Seventh Golden State Coin Show

Forty-First NASC Annual Convention

The 7th Golden State Coin Show returned to the Pasadena Convention Center. The show was held August 3-4, 1996 and NASC Past-President Bill Grant was the general chairman. For the first time there were only three sponsors: CSNA, COIN and NASC. It was reported that over 500 guests attended the show. The NASC official medal, selected and designed by President Jerry Yahalom, commemorated the "3000th Anniversary of the Founding of the City of Jerusalem."

A tribute to the late William O. Wisslead was featured in the bourse area. There was a special Young Numismatist Table. Larry Baber was the speaker at the California Exnumia Society meeting with his talk on "Medallic Works of the Barbers." The



Clockwise from top left:

1996 President Jerry Yahalom.

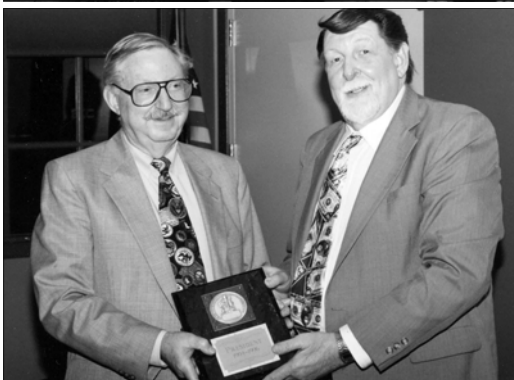
Bill Grant and Albertus Hoogeveen.

Murray Singer and Dr. Tom Fitzgerald.

Bill Grant, Ethyl Lenhert, Sally Marx, Harold Donald, and Don Foster.

Jerry Yahalom and Bill Grant.

1998 President G. Lee Kuntz



Educational Forum, moderated by Sally Marx, included Dr. DeWayne Gallups (Mardi Gras Doubloons) and John H. Welborne (Angels Flight Railroad).

The exhibit awards were presented at a Saturday Luncheon. The Best-of-Show award went to Angus Bruce for his exhibit "Some Paper Money of the Holocaust." The NASC Member Club Gold Benefit Drawing was held on Saturday afternoon.

On February 2, 1997, the NASC held its annual awards banquet at Coco's Restaurant in Arcadia. For the first time since 1988, the Richard P. Goodson Memorial Award for the most outstanding numismatist during 1996 was presented to two individuals, NASC Past-Presidents Albertus Hoogeveen and Bill Grant. NASC Speaker-of-the-Year award was given to Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald. The Karl M. Brainard Memorial Literary Awards were won by: Bill Cregan—1st and 2nd place; and Murray Singer—3rd place. The George Bennett Memorial Award for the best article on ancient coinage was presented to Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald. The Upland Coin Club, Ethel Lenhart, editor, won the President's Trophy for the best club newsletter.

1997—Eighth Golden State Coin Show

Forty-Second NASC Annual Convention

The 8th Golden State Coin Show was held at the Pasadena Convention Center, August 30-31, 1997. William J. Grant again served as general chairman. The NASC Medal was co-designed by G. Lee Kuntz and President Jerry Yahalom. It bears an outline of the state of California with the motto, "Californians from Sea to the Desert — Collect Coins and Currency." Harold Katzman spoke at the California Exonumist Society

meeting on Saturday. His subject was "Autographs." Sally Marx chaired a special table for Young Numismatists with free coins for the visitors. Sally Marx, the moderator of the Golden State Educational Forum, introduced speaker James Hunt. His program was called "The Comstock Lode and the Carson City Mint." A special sale of CSNA items was auctioned on Saturday afternoon. The NASC Member Club Gold Benefit Drawing was held on Sunday afternoon.

The Golden State Banquet was held at the Peppermill Restaurant in Pasadena, not far from the Convention Center. There were 45 guests at the banquet where Ethel Lenhart was presented the Best-of-Show award for her exhibit with the title: "The Franklin Mint Version of the Thomason Medallic Bible."

The NASC Awards Banquet and Installation of Officers was held on February 1, 1998 at Coco's Restaurant in Arcadia. The Member-of-the-Year award was presented to Gary Beedon. The Speaker-of-the-Year award was won by Dr. Walter Ostromecki, Jr. The Karl Brainard Memorial Literary Awards were given to: Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald—1st place, Dr. Walter Ostromecki Jr.—2nd place, and Virginia Hall—3rd place. The George Bennett Memorial Literary Award for the best article on ancient coinage went to Dillon Frost. There was no presentation of the Richard P. Goodson Memorial Award this year. The President's Trophy for the best coin club newsletter was presented to the Upland Coin Club, Ethel Lenhart, editor.

The following officers were installed for the 1997-98 terms: President, G. Lee Kuntz; Vice-President, Harold Katzman; Treasurer, Kay Lenker; Corresponding Secretary, Dr. Walter Ostro-

mecki Jr.; Recording Secretary, Albertus Hoozeveen; and Historian, Leonora Donald.

1998—Ninth Golden State Coin Show

Forty-Third NASC Annual Convention

The 9th Golden State Coin Show was held at the Pasadena Convention Center, September 5- 6, 1998. For the third consecutive year, William J. Grant served as general chairman. The NASC medal for the 43rd Convention was titled: "Numismatic Leaders Looking to New Horizons for the Twenty-First Century." The medal bore the portraits of Dr. Walter Ostromecki, Jr., William J. Grant, Jerry Yahalom, and G. Lee Kuntz.

The California Exonumist Society presented an educational forum by Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald speaking on the "Medallic history of the Railways of Great Britain." The Golden State Educational Forum, moderated by Dr. Walter Ostromecki, Jr., presented Chuck White, complete with a Mohawk hair cut, talking about "Indians in Numismatics." The NASC Member Club Gold Benefit drawing was held on Sunday afternoon.

The Saturday banquet, with a Hawaiian Theme, was held at the Peppertree Restaurant in Pasadena. The winner of the Best-of-Show Exhibit Award was Phil Iversen with a display on "The Norse American Centennial Medal."

The annual NASC Awards Banquet took place on February 7, 1999 at Coco's Restaurant in Arcadia. NASC's highest honor, the Richard P. Goodson Memorial Award, was presented to a husband and wife team. NASC past-resident and founder of the NASC coin club workshops, Ben Abelson and his lovely wife, Claire, were recognized

with this award. The Maurice M. Gould Junior Achievement Award was presented to two very deserving young numismatists: Johnny and Richie Olsen, members of the West Valley Coin Club. The NASC's Speaker-of-the-Year Award was presented to Phil Iversen. The Karl M. Brainard Memorial Literary Awards were won by: Bill Cregan—1st place, Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald—2nd place, and Mike Ontko—3rd place. The President's Trophy for the best coin club newsletter was presented to the Covina Coin Club, Heather Cuizon, editor.

1999—Tenth Golden State Coin Show

Forty-Forth NASC Annual Convention

The 10th Golden State Coin Show, August 28-29, 1999, was held at a new location, the Masonic Center in Arcadia. Kay Lenker served as general chairman. The NASC 44th Convention Medal commemorated the 150th anniversary of the California Gold Rush. It depicted the means of travel utilized to get to the gold fields via horseback, wagon, or ship.

There were three educational forums on Saturday, August 28th. The first speaker was Ed Rochette who talked about the little-known collection at the Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs. Al Hoozeveen gave a talk Saturday afternoon on the considerable exonomia of the Boy Scouts. The Golden State Educational Forum featured Martin Miller offering a program on the "Coinage of the Old West."

The Golden State Coin Show Banquet took place at Coco's Restaurant in Arcadia on Saturday evening. The western theme of a "round-up", including a sheriff with his posse rounding up the bandits, made Ethel Lenherth's ban-



President Bill Grant presenting the Goodson Memorial Award to Claire and Ben Ableson.



Presidents Dr. Walter Ostromecki and Phil Iversen.

quet special. Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald won the Best-of-Show Exhibit Award with his display, "Selected Gold Coins Issued by the Popes, 1417 Through 1998."

On Sunday, a special Young Numismatists Free Auction took place, co-sponsored by NASC and COIN. Michael Aaron and Dr. Walter Ostromecki, Jr. conducted the auction with 94 young bidders. The NASC Member Club Gold Benefit Drawing concluded the convention Sunday afternoon.

The NASC Awards Banquet and Installation of newly elected officers was held at Coco's Restaurant in Arcadia on February 5, 2000. The NASC Member-of-the Year award was presented to Phil Iversen. The Karl M. Brainard Memorial Literary Awards were won by: Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald—1st place, Virginia Hall—2nd place, and Murray Singer—3rd place. The President's Trophy for the best coin club newsletter went to the Glendale Coin Club, Greg Burns, editor.

The following officers were installed for a two-year term at the banquet: President Harold Katzman, Vice-President Phil Iversen, Treasurer Kay

Lenker, Corresponding Secretary Dr. Walter Ostromecki, Jr., Recording Secretary Al Hooegeven, and Historian Leonora Donald.

2000—Eleventh Golden State Coin Show

Forty-Fifth NASC Annual Convention

The 11th Golden State Coin Show, now sponsored by two organizations, the CSNA and the NASC, was held at the Masonic Center in Arcadia, August 26-27, 2000. Kay Lenker served as general chairman. The NASC medal for the 45th NASC Annual Convention was adapted by Gary Beedon from the 1787 Fugio cent. The reverse of this coin was used for the 36th NASC Convention. The design, with the sundial on the medal, was why the coin was called "The Fugio Cent" (time flies). Below is the motto "Mind Your Business" that is said to have come from Benjamin Franklin.

The Golden State Educational Forum, moderated by Dr. Fitzgerald, featured former *NASC Quarterly* editor, Jeff Oxman. His presentation was: "Collecting and Investing in Morgan

Dollars.” The NASC Member Club Gold Benefit Drawing concluded the show on Sunday afternoon.

The Saturday evening Golden State Banquet, with a Mexican theme, was again held at Coco’s Restaurant in Arcadia. The Best-of-Show Exhibit Award was presented at the banquet. The winner was Larry Tapper with his display of “Gold Lira Commemoratives of Israel.”

The 2001 NASC Awards Banquet took place on February 4, 2001, at Coco’s Restaurant in Arcadia. President Katzman had chosen “Numismatics: the Ultimate Hobby” as his theme. For the first time in several years, the Maurice M. Gould Junior Achievement Award was on the agenda. It was presented to Daria Rycewicz. The Karl M. Brainard Memorial Literary Awards were won by: Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald—1st place, Al Hall—2nd place, and Bill Cregan—3rd place. The President’s Trophy for the best coin club newsletter was presented to the Glendale Coin Club, Greg Burns, editor. This marked the 2nd consecutive year this editor had won the award. A fitting end to the festivities would have been President Katzman’s favorite quote from his friend Tate, “May the Force Be With You.”

2001—Twelfth Golden State Coin Show

Forty-Sixth NASC Annual Convention

The 12th Golden State Coin Show was held at the Masonic Center in Arcadia, August 25-26, 2001. For the third consecutive year, Kay Lenker was the general chairman. The NASC medal for its 46th Annual Convention was designed by Dr. Thomas Fitzgerald. The medal commemorated the “Centennial of the Presidency of Theodore Roosevelt, 1901-2001.” Perhaps no other president was as interested in and influenced the nation’s coinage as Roosevelt. The medal bears a bust of the president in the center with the gold coins designed by Augustus Saint-Gaudens and Bela Lyon Pratt.

Dr. Fitzgerald was the speaker at the Golden State Educational Forum speaking on the “Golden Age of United States Coinage.” Gordon Donnell was the speaker at the California Exonumists Society forum with his presentation, “The History of Wooden Money.”

The exhibit awards were presented at the Saturday evening Golden State Coin Show Banquet at Coco’s Restaurant in Arcadia. The Best-of-Show ex-



2000-2002 Officers (from left): Sagi Soloman (Board), Roy Iwata (Board), Jerry Yahalom (Board), Joyce Kuntz (Board), G. Lee Kuntz (Board), Phil Iversen (Vice-President), Harold Katzman (President), Dr. Walter Ostromecki (Corresponding Secretary), Albertus Hoogeveen (Recording Secretary), Kay Lenker (Treasurer), and Leonora Donald (Historian).



2000 Phil Iversen receives Speaker of the Year award from G. Lee Kuntz.



Mary Beedon and Mo Fitzgerald beam from behind the Golden State Coin Show registration desk.



2001 President Harold Katzman.

hibit winner was Larry Tapper with his display “Decimal Gold of Mexico.” The NASC Member Club Gold Benefit Drawing was held at the conclusion of the show on Sunday afternoon.

Greg Burns became the new editor of the *NASC Quarterly* beginning with the Spring 2002 issue.

The NASC decided to hold a luncheon instead of an evening banquet in 2002. The association’s Awards Luncheon and Installation of Officers was held at Coco’s Restaurant in Arcadia on February 10, 2002.

The Richard P. Goodson Memorial Award, presented by the NASC to a person who has served the association beyond the call of duty, was awarded to Gary Beedon. The Karl M. Brainard Memorial Literary Awards were won by: Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald—1st place, Virginia Hall—2nd place, and Dr. Sol Taylor—3rd place. The Speaker-of-the-Year award was presented to Alex Shagin. The President’s Trophy for the best coin club newsletter was awarded to the Glendale Coin Club, Greg Burns, editor. This was the 3rd consecutive year this publication and editor had won the award.

The following officers were installed at the Awards Luncheon: President Phil Iversen, Vice-President Don Foster, Treasurer Kay Lenker, Corresponding Secretary Dr. Walter Ostro-

mecki, Jr., Recording Secretary Albertus Hoogeveen, and Historian Leonora Donald.

2002—Thirteenth Golden State Coin Show

Forty-Seventh NASC Annual Convention

The 13th Golden State Coin Show was again held at the Masonic Center in Arcadia, August 24-25, 2002. Kay Lenker again served as general chairman. In keeping with his theme, “Discover New Worlds,” the NASC Medal for the 47th Annual Convention, designed by Phil Iversen, depicted a “Viking leaving his famous ship and coming onto a new landscape.” Could this be the “New World?” Many believe the Vikings were here many years before Columbus.

A great new program was introduced in 2002 called the “Coins for Kids Table,” and was staffed by David and Nancee Nichols from San Diego. This was a very busy and exciting table throughout the show.

The Saturday evening banquet hosted by Joyce Kuntz was held at the Holiday Inn in Arcadia. At this event the Best-of-Show Exhibit Award was won by William Grant for his display “Medals of Charles Lindbergh.” The NASC Member Club Gold Benefit Drawing closed the show on Sunday



Clockwise from above:

2002 Officers: (back) Don Foster (Vice-President), Dr. Walter Ostromecki (Corresponding Secretary), Phil Iversen (President), Albertus Hoogeveen (Recording Secretary); (middle) Gary Beedon (Board), Roy Iwata (Board), Ken Arnold (Board), (front) Kay Lenker (Treasurer), Leonora Donald (Historian), Joyce Kuntz (Board), Tony Micciche (Board), Jerry Yahalom (Board).

Joyce Kuntz presenting Goodson award to Gary Beedon.



Phil Iversen presenting Speaker of the Year to Alex Shagin.

afternoon.

The annual NASC Awards Luncheon was held at Frank and Dean's Restaurant in Pasadena on February 9, 2003. The Richard P. Goodson Memorial Award, presented to the member who has served the NASC and numismatics above and beyond the call of duty, was awarded to Kay Lenker. The Speaker-of-the-Year award was presented to William Grant. The Karl M. Brainard Memorial Literary Awards were won by Nona G. Moore—1st place, Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald—2nd place, and Dr. Sol Taylor—3rd place. The President's Trophy for the best coin club newsletter was presented to the San Bernardino County Coin Club, an organization that has won this award nine times since the award was initiated in 1968.

2003—Fourteenth Golden State Coin Show

Forty-Eighth NASC Annual Convention

The 14th Golden State Coin Show was held at the Masonic Center in Arcadia, August 23-24, 2003. Once again, Kay Lenker was the general chairman. There was no new NASC medal for this show as the organization voted to strike a medal only once during the two-year term of the president. Phil Iversen's Viking medal carried the dates 2002 and 2003. The NASC now had a web site at www.NASC.net. It was reported there were 16,821 "hits" in January, 2003.

The educational forums on Saturday featured Bill Nash speaking on Civil War tokens for the California Exonomist Society, and at the Golden State Educational Forum Kevin Akin explained how he designed the CSNA convention medal. Once again, David and Nancee Nichols hosted a very busy Coins for Kids table.



Counter-clockwise from upper right:

Kay Lenker receives General Chairman's medals from Lee Kuntz for organizing the 2003 Golden State Coin Show..

Dr. Tom Fitzgerald presents ANA 2nd Place Outstanding Regional Numismatic Publication Award to Greg Burns.

Don and Terry Foster at 2003 Awards Banquet preparing to present awards for exhibits.



George Moore III, supporter of the NASC and promoter of numismatics.

Terry Foster receives Member of the Year Award from Phil Iversen at the 2004 Awards Banquet.

Phil Iversen receives a token of appreciation for his concluded presidency at the 2004 Awards Banquet.



The Saturday Golden State Coin Show Banquet, hosted by Joyce Kuntz, was held at the poolside of the Holiday Inn in Arcadia. The NASC presented retiring Historian Leonora Donald with a certificate naming her "Historian Emeritus." She held the office of historian from 1976 through 2003, a span of 27 years. No other officer or committee chairman in the history of the NASC has served for this length of time. The Best-of-Show Exhibit Award was presented to Larry Tapper for his display on "The Laurels of James."

The NASC Member Club Gold Benefit Drawing closed the show on Sunday afternoon.

The NASC Awards and Installation Banquet was held at Frank and Dean's Restaurant in Pasadena on February 8, 2004. The Richard P. Goodson Memorial Award, presented to a member for their outstanding service to the organization, was awarded to Joyce Kuntz. The NASC Speaker-of-the-Year award was presented to Jim Hunt from San Diego. The Member-of-the-Year award was given to a very surprised Terry Foster. The Karl M. Bainard Memorial Literary Awards went to: William Cregan—1st place, Virginia Hall—2nd place, and Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald—3rd place. The President's Trophy for the best coin club newsletter was awarded to the San Diego Numismatic Society, Rex Salmon, editor.

The NASC officers were installed for a two-year term, 2004-05: President Don Foster, Vice-President Gary Beedon, Treasurer Kay Lenker, Corresponding Secretary Harold Katzman, Recording Secretary Albertus Hoogveen, Historian Thelma Katzman, and Historian-Emeritus Leonora Donald.

2004—Golden Anniversary of the Numismatic Association of Southern California

This *Fifty Years of the NASC* is scheduled to go to the printers prior to the 15th Golden State Coin Show, August 28-29, 2004. The NASC will celebrate its golden anniversary at both the Golden State Coin Show and at the Golden Anniversary Awards Luncheon to take place at Frank and Dean's Restaurant in Pasadena on February 13, 2005.

Golden State Coin Show Commemoration

In addition to publishing this history of the association, a special electronic program is being prepared to enable the various clubs to enjoy an audio/visual account of the association from 1954 to 2004. In addition, special Golden Anniversary Membership Cards will be issued to all individuals and member clubs.

A 50-Year Paperweight and Golden Anniversary NASC Medal will be available at the Golden State Coin Show in August, 2004. The design of this medal and paperweight was the result of an open competition to all collectors in the southern California area. A unique, 50th Anniversary NASC gold medal, identical in design to the silver and golden bronze medals, will be presented to some lucky winner of a drawing in February 2005.

There will be a special exhibit category at the Golden State Coin Show for NASC memorabilia. Winning displays will be recognized with appropriate awards. At the NASC table during the show visitors will be able to purchase medals, paperweights, chances on the gold medal, coffee cups, and other NASC items. The official Golden State Program will have a page devoted to



Dr. Tom Fitzgerald installing the 2004-2006 Officers and Board.

the history of the NASC. There will be special recognition of all past-presidents at this banquet.

Golden Anniversary Awards Banquet

The 50-year history celebration will continue at the NASC Awards Banquet on February 13, 2005. It is expected that many past-presidents and charter members will be in attendance. In addition, many numismatic and other luminaries will be invited to attend. The hall will be specially decorated in honor of this occasion and many of the exhibits from the Golden State Coin Show's

memorabilia category, will be on display, plus scrapbooks, *The Quarterly* and historical photographs.

The electronic media production of the *Fifty Years of the NASC* will be shown and some selected guests will be making brief presentations. The program will also include all of the annual awards such as the Richard P. Goodson Memorial Award, the President's Trophy and the 25-year membership awards.

The menu will also include a birthday cake baked especially for the occasion. And then we begin another fifty years.

Part Two—Historical Data

Note – All officers and board members were elected to one-year terms until 1986 when the terms were increased to two-years. The years listed are the years served, thus Dr. Walter Ostromecki served as President for the years 1992 and 1993.

Presidents

Scott McCormac 1955
Earl Glen Whitehead 1956
W.R. “Bill” Fanning 1957
Charles L. Ruby 1958
C.A. “Slim” Dunbar 1959
Ben W. Williams 1960
Richard P. Goodson 1961
George Bennett 1962
Thomas H. Wood 1963
Karl M. Brainard 1964
Murray Singer 1965
Walter T. Snyder 1966
Edwin C. Borgolte 1967
Foster Hall 1968
Peggy E. Borgolte 1969
James L. Betton Jr. 1970
Benjamin M. Abelson 1971
William O. Wisslead 1972
Gordon Z. Greene 1973
James J. Waldorf 1974
Dr. Sol Taylor 1975
Raymond R. Reinoehl 1976
Myron L. McClaflin 1977
Richard F. Lebold 1978
J.H. McInnis Jr. 1979
Nona G. Moore 1980
Paul H. Borack 1981
Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald 1982
Albert K. Hall 1983
Albertus Hoogeveen 1984
Phyllis Duncan Ellis 1985 *
Lorna R. Lebold 1985-1987
G. “Corky” Ayers 1988 *
Charles Colver 1989-91
Dr. Walter Ostromecki Jr. 1992-93
William J. Grant 1994-95
Jerry Yahalom 1996-97
G. Lee Kuntz 1998-99
Harold Katzman 2000-01

Phil Iversen 2002-03
Don Foster 2004-05
* Died while in office

Vice-Presidents

Lester M. Wollard 1955
Thomas H. Wood 1961
Karl M. Brainard 1962
Murray Singer 1963
Walter T. Snyder 1964
Edwin C. Borgolte 1965
Foster Hall 1966
Peggy E. Borgolte 1967
James L. Betton Jr. 1968
Benjamin Abelson 1969
William O. Wisslead 1970
Gordon Z. Greene 1971
James J. Waldorf 1972
Dr. Sol Taylor 1973
Val C. Mogensen 1974
Raymond E. Reinoehl 1975
Richard Lebold 1976
J.H. McInnis Jr. 1977
Nona G. Moore 1978
Paul Borack 1979
Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald 1980
Albert K. Hall 1981
Albertus Hoogeveen 1982
Phyllis Duncan 1983
James J. Waldorf 1984
Lorna R. Lebold 1985
Paul H. Borack 1985
G “Corky” Ayers 1986-87
Charles Colver 1988
Dr. Walter Ostromecki, Jr. 1990-91
William J. Grant 1992-93
Jerry Yahalom 1994-95
G. Lee Kuntz 1996-97
Harold Katzman 1998-99
Phil Iversen 2000-01
Don Foster 2002-03
Gary Beedon 2004-05

First Vice-Presidents

Lester M. Wollard 1955
W.R. Fanning 1956
Charles L. Ruby 1957
C.A. “Slim” Dunbar 1958
Ben W. Williams 1959

Richard P. Goodson 1960

Second Vice-Presidents

Earl G. Whitehead 1955
Charles L. Ruby 1956
C.A. Dunbar 1957
Ben W. Williams 1958
Richard P. Goodson 1959
George Bennett 1960

Presidents-Elect

George Bennett 1961
Thomas H. Wood 1962
Karl M. Brainard 1963
Murray Singer 1964
Walter T. Snyder 1965
Edwin C. Borgolte 1966
Foster Hall 1967
Peggy E. Borgolte 1968
James L. Betton Jr. 1969
Benjamin Abelson 1970
William O. Wisslead 1971
Gordon Z. Greene 1972
James J. Waldorf 1973
Dr. Sol Taylor 1974
Val C. Mogensen 1975
Myron L. McClafflin 1976
Richard F. Lebold 1977
J.H. McInnis Jr. 1978
Nona G. Moore 1979
Paul H. Borack 1980
Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald 1981
Albert K. Hall 1982
Albertus Hooegeveen 1983
Phyllis Duncan Ellis 1984

Treasurers

E. L. Sims 1955
Ben F. Williams 1956-57
Louis E. Zumwalt 1958-61
Walter T. Snyder 1962-63
Edwin C. Borgolte 1964-65
Harold F. Donald 1965
Ethel Lenhart 1966-71
Walter T. Snyder 1972-73
C. Paul Newell 1974-75
Walter T. Snyder 1976-79
Richard F. Lebold 1980-83
Austin Ryer Jr. 1984-87
Albertus Hooegeveen 1988-95
Kay Lenker 1996-2005

Secretaries

Harold F. Donald 1955-56
Ruth Johnson 1957-58

Corresponding Secretaries

Carolyn Olson 1958-61
Peggy E. Borgolte 1962-66
Elizabeth Goodson 1967-68
James J. Waldorf 1970
Evelyn Sadler 1971
Ethel Lenhart 1972
Carol A. (Giron) Linn 1973-80
Lorna Lebold 1981-84
Richard Lebold 1985-89
Lynda Richard 1990-93
Harold Katzman 1994-97
Dr. Walter Ostromecki Jr. 1998-2003
Harold Katzman 2004-05

Recording Secretaries

Ruth Johnson 1958-59
Thomas H. Wood 1960
Ann M. Hall 1961-66
Beatrice Young 1967-68
Ann M. Hall 1969
Milton Fishgold 1970-71
Barbara Rader Hyde 1972-73
Betty L. Brander 1974
Alvina Fontaine 1975-76
Albertus Hooegeveen 1977-81
Harold Katzman 1982-89
Kay Lenker 1990-95
Mary Yahalom 1996-97
Albertus Hooegeveen 1998-2005

Historians

Thelma M. Case 1956-75
Thelma M. Case (Historian Emeritus) 1976
Leonora Donald 1976-2003
Leonora Donald (Historian Emeritus) 2004
Thelma Katzman 2004-05

Board Members

Abelson, Benjamin 1968-69, 1972-73
Arnold, Ken 2002-05
Ayers, G. "Corky" 1977-79, 1980-82, 1985-86
Beedon, Gary 1982-87, 1990-2003
Bennett, George 1955-56, 1963-70
Bennett, Rodney 1967

- Betton, James L. 1966-68, 1971-72
 Borack, Paul H. 1976-79
 Borgolte, Edwin C. 1963, 1968, 1970-72
 Borgolte, Peggy E. 1970-72
 Brainard, Karl M. 1955- 61, 1965
 Brander, Betty 1978-79
 Bromberg, Nate 1974-78
 Bruce, Angus 1984, 1998-99
 Case, Thelma M. 1959-61
 Collins, William 1978-80
 Crabb, Danny 1969-70
 Davidson, Harry S. 1958-59
 Davis, Steve 1998-99
 Dennis, Wayne 1963-64
 Dieterle, Vincent 1955-56
 Donald, Harold 1957-58, 1964-65, 1980-81, 1996-97
 Dunbar, C. A. 1955-56, 1961-63
 Duncan, Phyllis 1980-81
 Erdman, William K. 1965-66
 Fanning, W. R. 1955
 Fishgold, Milton M 1971-73
 Fitzgerald, Dr. Thomas F. 1979-80
 Foster, Don 1990-93, 1996-2001
 Garretson, Oliver S. 1955-56
 Goodson, Richard P. 1957-59, 1962-66
 Grant, William J. 1988-89, 1990-92
 Greene, Gordon Z. 1968-71, 1974-75
 Hall, Albert K. 1977-80
 Hall, Ann M. 1968-69
 Hall, Foster 1964-65, 1969-70
 Hall, Virginia 1984-85, 1988-93
 Hoogeveen, Albertus 1987
 Iversen, Phil 1992-95, 1998-99
 Iwata, Roy 2000-05
 Jenson, Maurice 1964-67
 Johnson, Charles M. 1955-56, 1960-62
 Jones, Charles V. 1955-56
 Kabealo, Sam J. 1955-56
 Kay, Jay 1964-65
 Kliman, Mike 1970-71
 Kuntz, Joyce 2000-05
 Lebold, Richard 1975-76, 1979-80
 Lenhart, Ethel 1974 & 1992-97
 Lenhart, Marlin 1998-99
 Lenker, Kay 1988-89
 Linn-Kumzweiler. Carol A. 1981-82
 MacDonald, Arthur 1963-66
 Marx, Sally 1994-97, 2000-01
 McClafflin, 1970-76, 1978
 McInnis, J.H., Jr. 1975-77
 Micciche, Tony 2002-05
 Mogensen, Val 1973-74
 Moore, George III 1980-87
 Moore, Nona G. 1976-78
 Newell, Paul 1961-62, 1973-74
 Ney, Pauline 1967- 68
 Northam, Kay 1983-93
 Ogilvie, Jack 1966-67
 Ojeda, Armando 1970-74
 Ostromecki, Dr. Walter 1985-89
 Oxman, Jeff 1994-95
 Paxman, Curtis R. 1958-59
 Payne, Peter B. 1961-63
 Price, George 1969-70, 1976-78
 Reberry, Jack D. 1955-56
 Reinoehl, Raymond R. 1972-75
 Richard, Lynda 1986-89, 1994-97
 Risi, Alfred 1959-61
 Rocklein, Dennis 1983-84
 Roth, Cliff 1978-79
 Ruby, Charles L. 1959-60
 Ryer, Austin 1979-83
 Sadler, William A. 1971-73
 Sampson, Abel 1955-56
 Sampson, Ken 1979-81
 Sanders, I. Newton 1955-56
 Sims, Donna 1979-80
 Singer, Murray G. 1957-59, 1961-63. 1966-71
 Snyder, Russell G. 1955- 65
 Snyder, Walter T. 1967-72, 1974-76
 Solomon, Sagi 2000-01
 Spence, William 1955-56, 1959
 Stople, Howard 1957-58
 Stoppelwerth, John 1961-62
 Taylor Dr. Sol 1972-73, 1976-77
 Vanyur, Michael 1994-99
 Venable, Dr. John 1990-92
 Waldorf, James J. 1975-76
 Watson, Mark 2004-05
 Weiger, Paul 1955-56
 Whitehead, Earl G. 1959-62
 Williams, Ben W. 1961-62
 Williamson, Keith 1982
 Wisslead, Elizabeth 1973-77
 Wisslead, William O. 1969-70, 1973-74
 Wollard, Lester M. 1956
 Wood, Thomas H. 1964-66
 Yahalom, Jerry 2000-05
 Young, C.R. 1966-68
 Zumwalt, Louis M. 1962-64

Editors – NASC Quarterly

Eric G. Warner 1959-61
Karl M. Brainard 1961-62
Eric G. Warner 1962-63
Wayne Dennis 1963-65
James L. Betton Jr. 1966
Maurice M. Gould 1967
William O. Wisslead 1968-69
Ed McClung 1970
Peggy E. Borgolte 1971-73
J.H. McInnis Jr. 1974-79
Austin Ryer Jr. 1980-81
Gary Beedon 1982-87
Dr. Walter Ostromecki Jr. 1988-90
Jeff Oxman 1991-93
Dr. Walter Ostromecki Jr. (Pro-Tem) 1994
Gary Beedon 1995-2001
Greg Burns 2002-2005

Money Museum Curators

Karl Brainard 1965-66
Karl Brainard (Emeritus) 1967
Ernest Hood 1967-84
Ernest Hood (Emeritus) 1985
Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald 1984-92

Conventions

Clark Hotel – February 17-19, 1956 - Scott McCormac, Chairman
Clark Hotel – February 22-24, 1957 - Earl G. Whitehead, Chairman
Statler Hotel – February 28-March 2, 1958 - W.R. Fanning, Chairman
Statler Hotel – February 13-15, 1959 - Charles L. Ruby, Chairman
Statler Hilton Hotel – Feb 19-21, 1960 - C.A. “Slim” Dunbar Chairman
Statler Hilton Hotel – March 3-5, 1961 - Ben W. Williams Chairman
Statler Hilton Hotel – February 22-25, 1962 - Richard P. Goodson, Chair.
Statler Hilton Hotel – January 30-February 2, 1963 - George Bennett Ch.
Statler Hilton Hotel – February 27-March 1, 1964 - Tom Wood Chairman
Statler Hilton Hotel – February 24-27, 1965 - Karl Brainard, Chairman
Statler Hilton Hotel – February 17-20, 1966 - Murray Singer, Chairman
Statler Hilton Hotel – February 9-12, 1967 - Walter T. Snyder Chairman

Statler Hilton Hotel – February 15-18, 1968 - Edwin C. Borgolte Chairman
Statler Hilton Hotel – February 13-16, 1969 - Foster Hall Chairman
Hilton Hotel – February 19-22, 1970 - Peggy E. Borgolte Chairman
Hilton Hotel – February 18-21, 1971 - James L. Betton Jr. Chairman
Hilton Hotel – February 24-27, 1972 - Benjamin M. Abelson Chairman
Hilton Hotel – February 22-25, 1973 - William O. Wisslead, Chairman
Hilton Hotel – February 7-10, 1974 - Gordon Z. Greene, Chairman
Hilton Hotel – February 13-16, 1975 - James J. Waldorf, Chairman
Hilton Hotel – February 19-22, 1976 - Dr. Sol Taylor, Chairman
Hilton Hotel – February 24-27, 1977 - Raymond R. Reinoehl, Chairman
Hilton Hotel – February 9-11, 1978 - Myron L. McClafflin, Chairman
Ambassador Hotel – January 25-27, 1979 - Richard F. Lebold, Chairman
Ambassador Hotel – January 24-26, 1980 - J.H. McInnis Jr. Chairman
Ambassador Hotel – January 29-31, 1981 - Nona G. Moore, Chairman
Ambassador Hotel – January 28-30, 1982 - Paul H. Borack, Chairman
Ambassador Hotel – January 27-29, 1983 - Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald, Ch.
Ambassador Hotel – January 26-28, 1984 - Albert K. Hall, Chairman
Airport Hyatt Hotel – January 24-26, 1985 - Albertus Hoogeveen, Chair.
Airport Hyatt Hotel – January 23-25, 1986 - Lorna Lebold, Chairman
Airport Hyatt Hotel – February 5-7, 1987 - Lorna Lebold, Chairman
Airport Hyatt Hotel - January 28-30, 1988 - Lorna Lebold, Chairman
Airport Hyatt Hotel – January 26-28, 1989 - G. “Corky” Ayers, Chairman

Note: the following are Golden State Shows co-sponsored by COIN, CSNA, NASC and SIN.

Pasadena Convention Center – January 26-28, 1990 - Dr. Fitzgerald, Ch.
Pasadena Convention Center – January 25-27, 1991 - Dr. Fitzgerald, Ch.

- Pasadena Convention Center – January 31-
Feb 2, 1992 – Dr. Fitzgerald
Airport Marina Hotel – May 28-29, 1993 –
Dr. Fitzgerald, Chairman
Airport Marina Hotel – Sept. 30-October 1,
1994 – Phil Iversen, Chairman
Pickwick Recreation Center, Burbank –
Sept. 22-23, 1995-Phil Iversen Ch.
Pasadena Convention Center – August 3-4,
1996 – William Grant, Chairman
Pasadena Convention Center – August 30-
31, 1997 – Wm. Grant, Chairman
Pasadena Convention Center – September
5-6, 1998 – Wm. Grant, Chairman
Arcadia Masonic Center – August 28-29,
1999 – Kay Lenker, General Ch.
Arcadia Masonic Center – August 26-27,
2000 – Kay Lenker, General Ch.
Arcadia Masonic Center – August 25-26,
2001 – Kay Lenker, General Ch.
Arcadia Masonic Center – August 24-25,
2002 – Kay Lenker, General Ch.
Arcadia Masonic Center – August 23-24,
2003 – Kay Lenker, General Ch.

NASC Convention Auctions

- 1956 Sam J. Kabealo – Pasadena, California
1957 Sam J. Kabealo – Pasadena, California
1958 Abner Kreisberg – Beverly Hills, Cali-
fornia
1959 William Smith – San Francisco, Cali-
fornia
1960 William Smith – San Francisco, Cali-
fornia
1961 Abe Kosoff – Encino, California
1962 Peter B Payne – San Bernardino, Cali-
fornia
1963 Abe Kosoff – Encino, California
1964 Jim “Trends” Kelly – Dayton, Ohio
1965 Jim “Trends” Kelly – Dayton, Ohio
1966 Numismatic Enterprises – Encino,
California
1967 Numismatic Enterprises – Encino,
California
1968 Numismatic Enterprises – Encino,
California
1969 Paramount International Coin Corp.
Englewood, Ohio
1970 Numismatic Enterprises – Encino,
California
1971 Paramount International Coin Corp.
Englewood, Ohio

- 1972 Raroca Coins Corp. of America –
Chicago, Illinois
1973 Paramount International Coin Corp.
Englewood, Ohio
1974 American Auction Association – Hol-
lywood, California
1975 Paramount International Coin Corp. -
Englewood, Ohio
1976 Bowers and Ruddy Galleries Inc. –
Los Angeles, California
1977 Paramount International Coin Corp –
Englewood, Ohio
1978 Bowers and Ruddy Galleries Inc. –
Los Angeles, California
1979 Kagins – Des Moines, Iowa
1980 Bowers and Ruddy Galleries, Inc. –
Los Angeles, California
1981 Kagins – Des Moines, Iowa
1982 Bowers and Ruddy Galleries Inc. –
Los Angeles, California
1983 Kagins – Des Moines, Iowa
1984 Bowers and Merena Galleries Inc. –
Wolfeboro, NH
1985 Bowers and Merena Galleries Inc, -
Wolfeboro, NH
1986 Bowers and Merena Galleries Inc. –
Wolfeboro, NH
1987 Bowers and Merena Galleries Inc. –
Wolfeboro, NH
1988 Bowers and Merena Galleries, Inc. –
Wolfeboro, NH
1989 Bowers and Merena Galleries, Inc. –
Wolfeboro, NH
1990 Bowers and Merena Galleries, Inc, -
Wolfeboro, NH
1990 Ponterio & Associates, Inc. – San
Diego, California
1991 Bowers and Merena Galleries, Inc. -
Wolfeboro, NH
1991 Ponterio & Associates, Inc. – San
Diego, California

Richard P. Goodson Memorial Award

- 1968 Charles M. Johnson
1969 Abe Kosoff
1970 Maurice M. Gould
1971 Karl Brainard and Peggy Borgolte
1972 Herbert M. Bergen
1973 William O. Wisslead
1974 Murray G. Singer
1975 Walter T. Snyder

1976 Thomas H. Wood
 1977 George Bennett
 1978 Carol A. Linn
 1979 Raymond R. Reinoehl
 1980 Richard S. Yeoman and Elizabeth L. Wisslead
 1981 Richard F. Lebold
 1982 Ernest W. Hood
 1983 Paul H. Borack
 1984 Lorna R. Lebold
 1985 Nona G. Moore
 1986 Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald
 1987 Leonora and Harold Donald
 1988 Virginia and Albert Hall
 1989 Kay Northam
 1990 Ethel Lenhert
 1991 Dr. Sol Taylor
 1992 Jerry Yahalom
 1993 Harold Katzman
 1994 Awanda Ayers
 1995 Dr. Walter Ostromecki, Jr.
 1996 Sally Marx
 1997 Albertus Hoogeveen and William J. Grant
 1999 Ben and Claire Abelson
 2002 Gary Beedon
 2003 Kay Lenker
 2004 Joyce Kuntz

The Maurice M. Gould Memorial Junior Achievement Award

1973 Kenneth Byrne, Debbie Martin and James Zimmerman
 1974 Albert Cole
 1975 Marti Hughes
 1976 Duffy Waldorf
 1977 Oscar Lopez
 1978 Theodore Lopez
 1979 Michelle Lopez
 1980 Julie Bascou
 1981 Juan Ray Rodriguez
 1982 Mike Martin
 1983 Brian Kotoff
 1984 Dwight Manley
 1985 Michael Reiter
 1986 Greg Frazier
 1987 Kim Curlett
 1988 Justin Troxel
 1989 Damion Williams
 1990 James Jackson

The “Corky” Ayers Junior Achievement Award

1991 Andrew Portnoy

Maurice M. Gould Junior Achievement Award (Resumed)

1992 Mike Dinius
 1993 Zeve Akerling
 1994 Jason Albanese
 1995 Nethaniel Unrath
 1996 Erin Zarichny
 1999 Johnny and Richie Olsen
 2001 Daria Ryczewicz

NASC Member-of-the-Year Award

Winner cannot be an Officer, Club Representative or a Committee Chairman.

1993 – Michael Aron
 1996 – Paul Koppenhaver
 1998 – Gary Beedon
 2000 – Phil Iversen
 2004 – Terry Foster

NASC Speaker-of-the-Year Award

1996 – William O. Wisslead
 1997 – Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald
 1998 – Dr. Walter Ostromecki Jr.
 1999 – Phil Iversen
 2002 – Alex Shagin
 2003 – William J. Grant
 2004 – Jim Hunt

NASC Literary Awards

1965 1st Place – Maurice Jensen, 2nd Place – Kenneth Young
 1966 1st Place – Maurice Jensen, 2nd Place – George Rony
 1968 1st Place – Dr. Sol Taylor, 2nd Place – George Rony, 3rd Place – Peggy E. Borgolte
 1969 1st Place – Dr. Sol Taylor, 2nd Place – Xenia Kreizel, 3rd Place – James Betton Jr.
 1970 1st Place – Thomas W. Becker, 2nd Place – Maurice M. Gould, 3rd Place – Ethel Lenhert
 1971 1st Place – Leona Kohl, 2nd Place –

Richard J. Trowbridge, 3rd Place- Dr.
Sol Taylor
1972 1st Place - James J. Waldorf, 2nd Place
– Dr. Sol Taylor, 3rd Place – Peggy E.
Borgolte

(Named the Karl M. Brainard Memorial Literary Awards in 1973)

1973 1st Place – Earl O’Cathey, 2nd Place –
Richard J. Trowbridge, 2nd Place –
Maurice M. Gould * (First of the
Brainard Literary Awards)
1974 – 1st Place- James L. Betton, 2nd Place
– Albert K. Hall, 3rd Place – Dr. Sol
Taylor
1975 – 1st Place – Peggy E. Borgolte, 2nd
Place – Maurice M. Gould, 3rd Place,
Dr. Sol Taylor
1976 – 1st Place – Duffy Waldorf, 2nd Place
– Dr. Sol Taylor, 3rd Place, Richard J.
Trowbridge
1977 – 1st Place – James L. Betton, 2nd
Place – Mel Wacks, 3rd Place, Dr. Sol
Taylor
1978 – 1st Place – Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald,
2nd Place – Raymond R. Reinoehl, 3rd
Place – Robert N. Marshall
1979 – 1st Place – Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald,
2nd Place – Dr. Sol Taylor, 3rd Place,
J.H. McInnis Jr.
1980 – 1st Place – Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald,
2nd Place – Dr. Sol Taylor, 3rd Place –
J.H. McInnis Jr.
1981 – 1st Place – Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald,
2nd Place – Dr. Sol Taylor, 3rd Place –
Gary Beedon
1982 – 1st Place – Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald,
2nd Place – Dr. Sol Taylor
1983 – 1st Place, Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald,
2nd Place – Virginia M. Hall, 3rd Place
– Richard Bassler
1984 – 1st Place - Albert K. Hall, 2nd Place –
Dr. Walter Ostromecki Jr., 3rd Place –
Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald
1985 – 1st Place – Virginia M Hall, 2nd
Place –Dr. Walter Ostromecki, Jr., 3rd
Place – Raymond Reinoehl
1986 – 1st Place – Dr. Walter Ostromecki
Jr., 2nd Place – Dr. Thomas F. Fitzger-
ald, 3rd Place – John Larson
1987 – 1st Place – Eric Millman, 2nd Place,
Marin Ostromecki, 3rd Place, Dr. Tho-
mas F. Fitzgerald

1988 – 1st Place – Virginia M. Hall, 2nd
Place Dr. Walter Ostromecki Jr., 3rd
Place, Austin Ryer Jr.
1989 – 1st Place – Martha Stevenson, 2nd
Place – Corky Ayers, 3rd Place –
Ronald Muzzy
1990 – 1st Place – Martha Stevenson, 2nd
Place – James Warmus, 3rd Place –
Dillon Frost.
1991 – 1st Place – Dr. Sol Taylor, 2nd Place
– Virginia M. Hall, 3rd Place – Martha
Stevenson
1992 – 1st Place – Murray Singer, 2nd Place
– Dr. Sol Taylor, 3rd Place –Dr. Walter
Ostromecki Jr.
1993 – 1st Place – Ken Levy, 2nd Place – Dr.
Walter Ostromecki Jr., 3rd Place – Don
Whaley
1994 – 1st Place – John Devine, 2nd Place –
Dr. Sol Taylor, 3rd Place, Dr. Walter
Ostromecki Jr.
1995 – 1st Place – Murray Singer, 2nd Place
– Dr. Walter Ostromecki, Jr., 3rd Place
(tie) Robert McCarthy and Martha
Stevenson
1996 – 1st Place, Virginia Hall, 2nd Place,
Murray Singer – 3rd Place (tie) Michael
Turrini and Dr. Sol Taylor.
1997 - 1st Place, William Cregan, 2nd Place,
William Cregan – 3rd Place, Murray
Singer
1998 – 1st Place, Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald,
2nd Place, Dr. Walter Ostromecki Jr.,
3rd Place, Virginia M. Hall
1999 – 1st Place, William Cregan, 2nd Place,
Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald, 3rd Place,
Mike Ontko
2000 – 1st Place, Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald,
2nd Place – Virginia M. Hall, 3rd Place,
Murray Singer
2001 – 1st Place, Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald,
2nd Place – Al Hall, 3rd Place, Bill
Cregan
2002 – 1st Place, Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald,
2nd Place, Virginia M. Hall, 3rd Place,
Dr. Sol Taylor.
2003 – 1st Place, Nona G. Moore, 2nd Place,
Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald, 3rd Place,
Dr. Sol Taylor
2004 – 1st Place, William Cregan, 2nd Place,
Virginia M. Hall, 3rd Place, Dr. Tho-
mas F. Fitzgerald

George Bennett Memorial Literary Award – Ancient Coins

1983 Richard Basler
1986 Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald
1990 Larry Reppeteau
1991 Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald
1993 Dillon Frost
1997 Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald
1998 Dillon Frost

Nona Moore Junior Literary Award

1983 Brian Kotoff
1984 Michael Carlin
1985 Brian Kotoff
1990 Damion Williams and James Jackson
1995 Zeve Akerling

The President's Trophy – Best Coin Club Newsletter

1968 Echo Park Coin Club
1969 Azteca Numismatic Society
1970 Los Angeles Coin Club – Eileen Lawson, Editor
1971 West Valley Coin Club – Betty Brander, Editor
1972 West Valley Coin Club – Betty Brander, Editor
1973 American-British Numismatic Society – Richard T. Trowbridge, Ed.
1974 Israel Numismatic Society of San Gabriel Valley–Esther Bromberg Ed.
1975 Torrance Coin Club
1976 Azteca Numismatic Society – Betty Brander, Editor
1977 San Bernardino County Coin Club – Virginia M. Hall, Editor
1978 San Bernardino County Coin Club – Virginia M. Hall, Editor
1979 San Bernardino County Coin Club – Virginia M. Hall, Editor
1980 West Valley Coin Club – George Baude, Editor
1980 Israel Numismatic Society of Los Angeles, Syd Singer, Editor
1980 Israel Numismatic Society of San Gabriel Valley – Donna Sims, Ed.
1981 San Bernardino County Coin Club – Virginia M. Hall, Editor

1982 San Bernardino County Coin Club – Virginia M. Hall, Editor
1983 Downey Coin Club – Steve Davis, Editor
1984 Santa Barbara Coin Club
1985 West Valley Coin Club – Dr. Walter Ostromecki Jr., Editor
1986 West Valley Coin Club – Dr. Walter Ostromecki Jr., Editor
1987 San Bernardino County Coin Club – Virginia M. Hall, Editor
1988 Whittier Coin Club – Esther Bromberg – Editor
1989 Covina Coin Club – Awanda Ayers, Editor
1990 Israel Numismatic Society of Los Angeles – Murray Singer, Editor
1991 Upland Coin Club – Ethel Lenhart, Editor
1992 Santa Barbara Coin Club
1993 Los Angeles Coin Club – Ed Casaus, Editor
1994 San Bernardino County Coin Club – Robert McCarthy, Editor
1995 Israel Numismatic Society – Los Angeles Coin Club
1996 San Bernardino County Coin Club
1997 Upland Coin Club – Ethel Lenhart, Editor
1998 Upland Coin Club – Ethel Lenhart, Editor
1999 Covina Coin Club – Heather Cuizon, Editor
2000 Glendale Coin Club – Greg Burns, Editor
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2002 Glendale Coin Club – Greg Burns, Editor
2003 San Bernardino County Coin Club
2004 San Diego Numismatic Society – Rex Salmon, Editor

Best-of-Show Exhibit Award

1956 Charles L Ruby
1957 Eugene Cooper
1958 H.H. Clifford
1959 Elliot Markoff
1960 Pauline D. Ney
1961 Erma Stevens
1962 William Koonce
1963 Ben Adams

1964 Elliot Markoff
 1965 Thelma M. Case
 1966 Lawrence Morton
 1967 Roy Gray
 1968 Armando Ajeda
 1969 Leonard Ratzman
 1970 Douglas Wark
 1971 Lawrence Morton
 1972 Vincent Beretta
 1973 Robert Marshall
 1974 Msgr. Greteman
 1975 Albert K. Hall
 1976 Albert K. Hall
 1977 Peter & Betty Brander
 1978 Dr Thomas F. Fitzgerald
 1979 O.L. Wallis
 1980 Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald
 1981 Dr. A.K. Berry
 1982 Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald
 1983 Kay Edgerton Lenker
 1984 Leonora Donald
 1985 Gary Beedon
 1986 Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald
 1987 Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald
 1988 Austin Ryer Jr.
 1989 Levin Messick

Note: the following won the Best-of-Show Exhibit Award at the Golden State Coin Show.

1990 Levin Messick
 1991 William J. Grant
 1992 William J. Grant
 1993 Ethel Lenhert
 1994 Ethel Lenhert
 1995 Kay Lenker
 1996 Angus Bruce
 1997 Ethel Lenhert
 1998 Phil Iversen
 1999 Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald
 2000 Larry Tapper
 2001 Larry Tapper
 2002 William J. Grant
 2003 Larry Tapper

The Gordon Z. Greene Memorial Junior Best-of-Show

1984 Dwight Manley
 1985 Michael Reiter
 1986 Elizabeth Messick
 1987 Kim Curlett
 1988 Michael Reiter
 1990 Arri Jacob

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It is the story of the men and women of the Numismatic Association of Southern California who loved their fellow collectors and their pursuit of numismatics.

—Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald
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